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TOWN OF STONEHAM  
ANNUAL REPORT  
FOR THE  
FINANCIAL YEAR ENDED  
DECEMBER 31  
1936



## TOWN OF STONEHAM

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Incorporated, December 24, 1725  
Population, January 1, 1935, 10,841

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Fifth Congressional District  
Sixth Councillor District  
Seventh Middlesex Senatorial District  
Twenty-Second Middlesex Representative District

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Representative in Congress  
Edith Nourse Rogers, Lowell

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Councillor  
Eugene A. F. Burtnett, Somerville

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Senator  
Joseph R. Cotton, Lexington

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Representatives  
Mary Livermore Barrows, Melrose  
Joseph A. Milano, Melrose

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Annual Town Meeting and Election of Town Officers  
First Monday in March

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Adjourned Town Meeting for the Consideration of Town  
Business Second Monday in March at 7.30 P. M.

## TOWN OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

### MODERATOR

James A. Munro

### SELECTMEN

Everett C. Hunt, Chairman .....	Term expires	1937
Frederick P. Hanford .....	" "	1937
William C. Gibbons .....	" "	1937

### ASSESSORS

Peter L. McCarty .....	Term expires	1937
John J. Kenney, Chairman .....	" "	1938
Lawrence E. Doucett .....	" "	1939

### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

Hugh A. Dougherty, Chairman .....	Term expires	1937
Alton W. Estes .....	" "	1938
Charles E. Ames .....	" "	1939

### BOARD OF HEALTH

Lawrence E. Doucett .....	Term expires	1937
George A. Hinchcliffe .....	" "	1938
Joseph H. Kerrigan, Chairman .....	" "	1939

### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Bernard M. Scully .....	Term expires	1937
Nellie R. Storey .....	" "	1937
C. Frank Munger, Chairman .....	" "	1938
Bertha A. Starr .....	" "	1939
George E. MacNeil .....	" "	1939

### PARK COMMISSIONERS

William F. Wilson, Chairman .....	Term expires	1937
Nicholas E. Apalakis .....	" "	1938
Fred A. Schneider .....	" "	1939

### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Edward H. Adzigan .....	Term expires	1937
Charles H. Chase, Chairman .....	" "	1937
George A. Packard .....	" "	1938
Alice V. Peyton .....	" "	1938
George A. Hinchcliffe .....	" "	1939
Herbert H. Richardson .....	" "	1939

### TRUSTEES OF LINDENWOOD CEMETERY

Wilfred A. Smith .....	Term expires	1937
George R. Barnstead .....	" "	1938
Fred E. Nickerson, Chairman .....	" "	1939
Charles W. Messer .....	" "	1940
Simeon C. Fuller .....	" "	1941

#### CONSTABLES

H. Franklin Morey .....	Term expires 1937
Robert H. Bradley .....	" " 1937
J. Clarence Nelson .....	" " 1937

#### TOWN CLERK

Charles A. Owen .....	Term expires 1937
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#### TREASURER AND COLLECTOR

Simeon C. Fuller .....	Term expires 1937
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#### TREE WARDEN

Percival H. Wardwell .....	Term expires 1937
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#### FINANCE AND ADVISORY BOARD

Alan G. Towle .....	Term expires 1937
Elizabeth G. Boyd .....	" " 1937
Almond H. Smith .....	" " 1937
Donald J. Hurley .....	" " 1938
T. Arthur Pettengill, Chairman .....	" " 1938
William S. Lister .....	" " 1938
Pender S. Humphrey .....	" " 1939
Thomas E. Cahill .....	" " 1939
Charles E. Crosby .....	" " 1939

#### PLANNING BOARD

William A. Garside .....	Term expires 1937
Ida G. FitzGerald .....	" " 1937
John N. Kelly .....	" " 1937
Frederick P. Hanford .....	" " 1937
Ora Hill Bingham .....	" " 1938
Warren M. Mirick .....	" " 1938
Percival H. Wardwell .....	" " 1938
Theodore F. Moore .....	" " 1938
George E. MacNeil, Jr., Chairman .....	" " 1939
Ralph A. Jenkins .....	" " 1939
Russell C. Chase .....	" " 1939
Frederick L. McLaughlin .....	" " 1939

#### BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

Charles E. Ames, Chairman

William A. Bates .....	Hugh A. Dougherty
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#### Appointed Officers

TOWN COUNSEL .....	Luther Hill
TOWN ACCOUNTANT .....	Charles A. Owen
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS .....	Charles E. Varney
SCHOOL PHYSICIAN .....	Norman P. Hersam, M. D.
ATTENDANCE OFFICER .....	Herbert N. Louis
GENERAL CLERK .....	Phyllis M. Whitney

CLERK — SELECTMEN'S OFFICE .....	Edna L. Tolman
TREASURER'S CLERK .....	Clare P. Perry
ASSESSORS' CLERK .....	Harry A. Williams
AGENT BOARD OF HEALTH .....	Charles A. Owen
HEALTH OFFICER .....	George A. Hinchcliffe
INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS AND WIRES .....	Charles Baldwin
INSPECTOR OF MILK .....	George A. Hinchcliffe
COLLECTOR OF MILK SAMPLES .....	Lawrence E. Doucett
INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING .....	David Taggart
INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS .....	William H. Rolfe
INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING .....	William H. Rolfe
SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC WORKS .....	Cornelius J. Sweeney
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES .....	J. Algernon Forbes
SUPERINTENDENT OF MOTH WORK .....	Percival H. Wardwell
SUPERINTENDENT OF INFIRMARY .....	William H. Rolfe
MATRON OF INFIRMARY .....	Gertrude Rolfe
PUBLIC WEIGHER .....	Arthur O. Wheeler
BURIAL AGENT .....	Charles A. Owen
TOWN PHYSICIAN .....	James Blenkhorn
FIELD DRIVER .....	John C. Nelson
POUND KEEPER .....	William H. Rolfe
DOG OFFICER .....	Clifford A. Price

#### BOARD OF APPEAL

Albert J. Blackburn, Chairman .....	Term expires 1937
Harry A. Williams .....	" " 1938
Clarence E. Lent .....	" " 1938
Harry S. Ford .....	" " 1939
Horace E. Bellows .....	" " 1939

#### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Daniel Cullinane, Chairman .....	Term expires 1937
Fred A. Lawson .....	" " 1938
Alice E. Fedigan .....	" " 1939
Charles A. Owen, Town Clerk .....	Ex-Officio

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

John C. Nelson, Captain

John G. O'Brien, Sergeant	William H. O'Toole, Sergeant
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#### PATROLMEN

Dennis L. McKinnon	Thomas J. Flynn	R. Harold Bradley
George E. Johnson	John P. Judge	Ellis B. Bradshaw
Andrew J. Tuney	George J. McDonough	

#### RESERVE POLICE OFFICERS

George N. Savard	John G. McHale	Peter F. O'Toole
	Warren H. Barnes	

FIRE DEPARTMENT

William F. McCall, Chief Engineer  
Fred L. Newhall, Assistant Chief Engineer

PERMANENT MEN

Herbert E. Plummer	Daniel W. Poore	Joseph Tansey
Richard R. Ervin	William J. Plummer	Henry H. Thorn

CALL MEN

Charles R. Brewer	Henry J. Crosby	Fred H. Peterson
Frederick E. Sweet	John J. Graham	John T. Walden
William E. Crosby	Edward Perry	George Whitcher
Charles Whitcher	John L. Knight	Herbert Willett
Ernest S. Frazier	Gordon D. Marston	Raymond L. Stone
Milton D. Whitcher	Harry Potter	James McDermott
Joseph W. Hannaford	Frank E. Parks	Wilfred Tyler

FENCE VIEWERS

Everett C. Hunt	Frederick P. Hanford	William C. Gibbons
PUBLIC WELFARE INVESTIGATOR .....	.....	Daniel Cullinane
PUBLIC WELFARE CLERK .....	.....	Paul Houghton
OLD AGE ASSISTANCE INVESTIGATOR .....	.....	Robert O'Loughlin
JANITOR OF ARMORY HALL .....	.....	George B. Williams
JANITOR OF TOWN OFFICES .....	.....	Eugene C. Lemoine

COMMITTEE ON TOWN OFFICE BUILDING

Luther Hill	Thomas E. McKenna	Edward M. Noonan
Frank J. Gallagher	Leander V. Colahan	Charles A. Owen

COMMITTEE ON POST OFFICE BUILDING

Everett C. Hunt	Luther Hill	Rose K. Coy
Charles E. Ames	.....	John J. Sullivan

COMMITTEE ON HIGH SCHOOL AND AUDITORIUM

Charles F. Buck	Charles H. Chase	Frank B. Hamill
George E. MacNeil, Sr.	.....	Thomas E. McKenna

COMMITTEE TO PURCHASE MOTOR EQUIPMENT

T. Arthur Pettengill	Charles E. Ames	Percival H. Wardwell
Cornelius J. Sweeney	.....	J. Clarence Nelson

COMMITTEE ON CHRISTMAS LIGHTING

William F. Wilson	Charles E. Crosby	Charles Baldwin
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COMMITTEE ON RECONSTRUCTION OF FIRE ALARM SYSTEM

William F. McCall	Thomas E. Cahill	Almond H. Smith
Daniel W. Poore	.....	Carl F. Daley

COMMITTEE ON TWO PLATOON SYSTEM HIGH SCHOOL

Frank J. Gallagher	Jaseph H. Kerrigan	C. Frank Munger
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INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE ON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Ralph R. Patch      Chester J. Richardson      Patrick J. Callahan  
Charles E. Varney      Robert V. Kleinschmidt

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BUILDING COMMITTEE

S. Pender Humphrey      Patrick J. Callahan      Edward M. Noonan  
Charles E. Varney      Albert J. Blackburn

MEMORIAL DAY COMMITTEE

J. P. Gould Post 75, G. A. R.

George E. Kenson      Rodman F. Davis      Joseph A. Moulton  
Henry D. Wallace

Leon E. Warren Camp 31, U. S. W. V.

Clarke D. Whiteman      John D. MacMullen      Arthur N. Newhall  
George B. Williams      Michael P. Doherty      Harry S. Ford

Stoneham Post 115, A. L.

Ernest N. Thibodeau      C. Earl Sylvester      Ernest L. Mann  
Edmund Kelley      William S. Coy      Clyde W. Carter

## TOWN OF STONEHAM — LIST OF JURORS as Revised by the Selectmen 1936

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Ahern, George F., Myrtle Street, Letter Carrier  
Ames, Charles E., 55 Elm Street, Telephone Company  
Anderson, Anders G., 15 Keene Street, Clerk  
Anderson, John D., Jr., 4 Highland Avenue, Clerk  
Apalakis, Nicholas E., 16 Gerry Street, Service Engineer  
Baker, Rollo M., 22 Pomeworth Street, Accountant  
Baldwin, Joseph J., 71 Pine Street, Pattern Maker  
Barker, Fred A., 25 Keene Street, Accountant  
Barnstead, G. Richard, Jr., 64 Marble Street, Newspaper  
Bell, George E., 198 Hancock Street, Hardware Dealer  
Bell, Sidney A., 84 Summer Street, Salesman  
Blackburn, Albert J., 30 South Street, Architect  
Blinn, Joseph H., 122 Franklin Street, Electrician  
Bockus, Earle G., 151 Central Street, Engineer  
Bourgeau, Edward F., Jr., 17 Ledge Street, Garage  
Breagy, Fred J., 8 Cottage Street, Retired  
Bugbee, William G., 66 Hancock Street, Architect  
Burbank, Charles G., 15 Marble Street, Clerk  
Cahill, Thomas E., 33 Warren Street, Manager  
Callahan, Patrick J., 16 Middle Street, Electrician  
Chapman, Wilbur W., 86 Spring Street, Mineral Spring  
Chase, William C., 12 Myrtle Street, Real Estate Agent  
Clark, A. Duncan, 26 Wright Street, Salesman  
Cody, John J., 23 Spring Street, Shoes  
Corcoran, Michael F., 5 Myrtle Street, Salesman  
Corcoran, Michael J., 44 Gould Street, Shoes  
Dempsey, Alonzo H., 2 Oak Street, Chauffeur  
Devlin, James M., 42 Spring Street, Plumber  
Dewhurst, Dwight D., 75 Spring Street, Shoemaker  
Dockam, Harry R., 13 Wright Street, Contractor  
Dodge, Clyde R., 10 Perkins Street, Manager  
Dorn, Elliott M., 23 Everett Street, Telephone  
Evans, Charles W., 8 Cedar Avenue, Barber  
Fallon, Joseph W., 303 Park Street, Student  
Fiske, Wilbur W., 555 Main Street, Treasurer  
Feeney, Edward J., 102 Franklin Street, Shoes  
Flett, Louis E., 6 Keene Street, Engineer  
Foley, John, 30 Montvale Avenue, Shoes  
Frost, Gordon A., 74 Pond Street, Retired  
Fulton, James E., 18 Flint Avenue, Laboratory Worker  
Gallagher, John H., 89 Washington Street, Clerk  
Gay, Edward F., 45 Spring Street, Florist  
Gay, William H., 18 Winthrop Street, Shoes  
Gibbons, William C., 25 Butler Avenue, Auto Body Builder

Gile, William A., 113 Summer Street, Machinist  
Graham, George G., 20 Cedar Avenue, Bank Clerk  
Hancock, Kenneth R., 150 Franklin Street, Printer  
Hanson, Rogen I., 43 West Street, Salesman  
Howes, Alwyne C., 45 Gould Street, Shoes  
Hunt, Sumner L., 24A Congress Street, Telephone Inspector  
Jenkins, Ralph A., 37 Chestnut Street, Salesman  
Keating, William F., 9 Hancock Street, Tannery  
Keenan, Joseph A., 3 Warren Street, Shoes  
Kendall, Rufus W., 25 Keene Street, Salesman  
Kenney, Arthur D., 65 Summer Street, Printer  
Leavitt, Wallace A., 50 Wright Street, Retired  
Lemoine, Eugene C., 70 Summer Street, Janitor  
Libby, Herbert A., 135 Marble Street, Treasurer  
MacNeil, George E., 1 Washington Court, Foreman  
Mahn, Herbert A., 44 Spring Street, Painter  
Marston, Gordon D., 117 Franklin Street, Reporter  
May, Gordon F., 45 Hillside Avenue, Traveling Salesman  
McCarthy, Frederick A., 52 Central Street, Engineer  
McDonough, Martin F., 57 Pleasant Street, Shoes  
McDonough, Martin F., 88 Summer Street, P. O. Clerk  
McHale, James F., 35 Pond Street, Laborer  
McHale, Paul V., 15 Avon Street, At Home  
McLaughlin, Daniel E., 125 Main Street, Clerk  
McLaughlin, Frederick L., 180 Hancock Street, Clerk  
McLaughlin, George B., 27 Summer Street, Auto Mechanic  
McNaughton, George A., 111 Franklin Street, Salesman  
Meehan, Peter P., 436 Main Street, Clerk  
Meek, Herman A., 273 Main Street, Blacksmith  
Moore, Theodore F., 19 Isabella Street, Engineer  
Morris, Humphrey A., 547 Main Street, Shipper  
Moulton, Harry N., 9 Myrtle Street, Salesman  
Mulroney, Thomas A., 13 Avon Street, Contractor  
Nelson, Albert W., 23 Parkway Road, Salesman  
Newcomb, Horace I., 116 Spring Street, Carpenter  
Newcomb, Robert A., 337 Main Street, Contractor  
Newhall, Arthur N., 50 Gould Street, Clerk  
Newhall, Elmer E., 10 Pine Street, Chauffeur  
Olsen, Carl C., 3 Everett Street, Carpenter  
Page, Arthur E., 27 Wilson Road, Foreman  
Palmer, Howard S., 60 Central Street, Traffic Engineer  
Parsons, Charles H., 12 Washington Street, Clerk  
Patchett, Herbert J., 537 Main Street, Clerk  
Poole, Charles H., 6 Vinton Court, Shoes  
Quinlan, Charles T., 60 Pond Street, Painter  
Reynolds, Frank J., 23 Myrtle Street, Bookkeeper  
Rice, Charles S., 602 Main Street, Builder  
Rogers, William N., 11 Peabody Road, Bookkeeper  
Roscoe, Henry J., 5 Benton Street, Upholsterer

Rounds, Albert P., 15 Wilson Road, Contractor  
Rowe, Robert E., 47 Warren Street, Manager  
Rudd, Alfred R., 9 Mount Vernon Street, Blacksmith  
Schneider, Fred A., 50 Broadway, Manager  
Schumann, Harold C., 15 Pinewood Road, Insurance  
Scully, Bernard M., 12 Flint Avenue, Salesman  
Smith, Almond H., 217 Franklin Street, Income Tax Expert  
Starr, Walter N., 18 Everett Street, Bank Teller  
Strail, Henry D., 23 Warren Street, Bank Teller  
Sweeney, Cornelius J., Carroll Street, Street Superintendent  
Thompson, Joseph C., 14 Brackett Avenue, Barber  
Tucker, J. Carroll, 17 Butler Avenue, Electrical Engineer  
Wallace, James G., 11 Lincoln Street, Salesman  
Wardwell, Leonard H., 54 High Street, Stenographer  
Wood, Stanley D., 89 Marble Street, Buyer

## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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### Town Meeting, Monday, March 2, 1936

Agreeable to a Warrant signed by the Selectmen February 11, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in Armory Hall in said town on Monday, March 2, 1936, at seven o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by Moderator, Frederick P. Hanford, and the Warrant read.

The Tellers appointed by the Selectmen, as required by law, were sworn by the Town Clerk and assigned to duty as follows:

#### BALLOT CLERKS

*Republicans* — Rollo M. Baker, Donald J. Morrison.

*Democrats* — Harry W. Delano, William F. McDonough.

#### TELLERS

*Republicans* — Lillian R. Gorham, Bessie M. Lund, Bertha C. Moulton, Henry D. Strail, Alice R. Worthen.

*Democrats* — Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Mary A. Dever, Elizabeth G. Devlin, Mary A. McDonough.

The ballots were given to the Ballot Clerks, a receipt taken from them for the same, the ballot boxes were opened and examined, the registers set at 0, locked, and the keys given to the Moderator, after which the polls were declared open.

The Moderator appointed as additional Tellers to assort and count ballots, the following, who were sworn by the Town Clerk:

*Republicans* — Beulah A. Anderson, Margaret Butler, Leslie M. Dill, Helen M. French, Alwyne C. Howes, Annie S. Kinsley, Gordon F. May, H. Franklin Morey, Herbert Patchett, Hattie E. Tucker.

*Democrats* — Margaret C. Cahill, Annie L. Cody, Nellie A. Dannahy, Mary A. K. Hamill, Ellen E. Hogan, Agnes N. Kelly, Emma A. Kelly, Ernest F. O'Brien, Elizabeth A. Reynolds, Florence E. Tole.

By unanimous consent of the Moderator and Town Clerk the ballot boxes were opened and ballots taken therefrom for the purpose of counting.

The Tellers appointed to assort and count ballots were divided into groups of four, two Republicans and two Democrats in each group.

At eight o'clock in the evening the polls were declared closed at which time the ballot box No. 1 registered 1416 and the ballot box No. 2 registered 1616 as ascertained by the Town Clerk.

The check lists at the gates had the names of 3028 as having received ballots.

The check lists at the ballot boxes had the names of 3028 persons checked as having voted.

The number of unused ballots returned to the Town Clerk was 1160.

The number of ballots taken from the ballot boxes, as counted by the Moderator was 3028.

All the ballots cast having been sorted and counted by the Tellers, the blocks of ballots sealed, the total tally sheets proved and signed in accordance with the law, declaration of the vote was made as follows:

Ballots cast ..... 3028

#### MODERATOR — ONE YEAR

James A. Munro, 326 William Street .....	2175
Blanks .....	853

James A. Munro, having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Moderator, was declared elected for one year.

#### TOWN TREASURER — ONE YEAR

Simeon C. Fuller, 32 Pomeworth Street .....	1832
Kenneth Calvin Wardwell, 8 Highland Avenue .....	857
Blanks .....	339

Simeon C. Fuller having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Town Treasurer, was declared elected for one year.

#### SELECTMEN — ONE YEAR

Patrick J. Callahan, 16 Middle Street .....	1174
John F. Coughlin, 9 Washington Street .....	799
William C. Gibbons, 25 Butler Avenue .....	1213
John A. Hamilton, 5½ Emerald Court .....	173
Frederick P. Hanford, 44 Broadway .....	1524
Everett C. Hunt, 25 Wilson Road .....	1795
Clarence E. McIntyre, 8 Highland Avenue .....	413
Charles J. Rotondi, 158 Franklin Street .....	205
Blanks .....	1788

William C. Gibbons, Frederick P. Hanford and Everett C. Hunt having received the three highest numbers of all the votes cast for Selectman, were declared elected for one year.

#### TAX COLLECTOR — ONE YEAR

Simeon C. Fuller, 32 Pomeworth Street .....	1824
Kenneth Calvin Wardwell, 8 Highland Avenue .....	880
Blanks .....	324

Simeon C. Fuller having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Tax Collector, was declared elected for one year.

#### ASSESSOR — THREE YEARS

Lawrence E. Doucett, 15 Pine Street .....	2292
J. Clarence Nelson .....	1
Mary Kelly .....	1
Blanks .....	734

Lawrence E. Doucett having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Assessor, was declared elected for three years.

#### BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE — THREE YEARS

Charles E. Ames, 55 Elm Street .....	2265
Blanks .....	763

Charles E. Ames having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Board of Public Welfare, was declared elected for three years.

#### CONSTABLES — ONE YEAR

R. Harold Bradley, 4 Spring Lane .....	1907
H. Franklin Morey, 17 Waverly Street .....	1837
J. Clarence Nelson, 93 Main Street .....	2071
Charles Chesley .....	1
Blanks .....	3268

R. Harold Bradley, H. Franklin Morey and J. Clarence Nelson, having received the three highest numbers of all the votes cast for Constables, were declared elected for one year.

#### BOARD OF HEALTH — THREE YEARS

Joseph H. Kerrigan, 481 Main Street .....	2235
Thomas Devlin .....	1
Blanks .....	792

Joseph H. Kerrigan having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Board of Health, was declared elected for three years.

#### TREE WARDEN — ONE YEAR

Percival H. Wardwell, 52 High Street .....	2249
Blanks .....	779

Percival H. Wardwell, having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Tree Warden, was declared elected for one year.

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE — THREE YEARS

Catherine T. Driscoll, 22 Maple Street .....	1251
George E. MacNeil, 1 Washington Court .....	1305
Bertha A. Starr, 18 Everett Street .....	1371
Emily Cooper Tauro, 477 Main Street .....	998
Blanks .....	1131

George E. MacNeil and Bertha A. Starr, having received the two highest numbers of all the votes cast for School Committee, were declared elected for three years.

#### PARK COMMISSIONER — THREE YEARS

Arthur C. Lawson, 9 Flint Avenue .....	751
William J. Mara, 79 Franklin Street .....	382
Fred A. Schneider, 50 Broadway .....	1330
Blanks .....	565

Fred A. Schneider, having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Park Commissioner, was declared elected for three years.

#### TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY — THREE YEARS

George A. Hinchcliffe, 2 East Street .....	2020
Herbert H. Richardson, 80 Central Street .....	2042
Blanks .....	1994

George A. Hinchcliffe and Herbert H. Richardson, having received the highest numbers of all the votes cast for Trustees of Public Library, were declared elected for three years.

#### TRUSTEE LINDENWOOD CEMETERY — FIVE YEARS

Simeon C. Fuller, 32 Pomeworth Street .....	2072
Blanks .....	956

Simeon C. Fuller, having received the highest number of all the votes cast for Trustee Lindenwood Cemetery, was declared elected for five years.

Voted — That the Moderator appoint a committee of three to nominate members of the Planning Board. Under the foregoing vote, the Moderator appointed the following committee: Paul L. Baker, Thomas E. Cahill and Albert W. Nelson.

All requirements of the law having been complied with it was voted to adjourn to meet in Armory Hall on Monday, March 9, 1936, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening.

### Adjourned Town Meeting, Monday, March 9, 1936

In accordance with the vote of adjournment passed March 2, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, met in Armory Hall on Monday, March 9, 1936, at seven-thirty o'clock in the evening.

The Moderator appointed as Tellers to check the names of those entering the hall: Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Harry W. Delano, Bessie M. Lund, Donald J. Morrison, Henry D. Strail, who were sworn by the Town Clerk. The check lists showed that nine hundred voters entered the hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator James A. Munro, who declared a quorum present.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing in such manner as the Town shall determine.

The Committee to nominate members of the Planning Board reported as follows: For the three year term: George E. MacNeil,

Jr., Ralph A. Jenkins, Russell C. Chase, Frederick L. McLaughlin. For the two year term vice Ruth H. Merrifield resigned, Warren M. Mirick.

Voted — That George E. MacNeil, Jr., Ralph A. Jenkins, Russell C. Chase, Frederick L. McLaughlin serve as members of the Planning Board for a term of three years and Warren M. Mirick for a term of two years.

Voted — That the Selectmen be authorized to appoint all other necessary town officers, whose appointment is not otherwise provided for by law.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees and to act thereon and to choose Committees.

Voted — That the reports of Town Officers and Committees, not otherwise acted upon, be accepted as printed in the Annual Town Report for 1935.

To the Voters in Town Meeting Assembled:

At the last Annual Town Meeting the following resolution was passed on motion of Mr. L. V. Colahan:

"RESOLVED: That the Town Counsel be instructed to insert an Article in the next Town Warrant calling for the election of members of the Finance Committee by the voters at Town Meeting. It is the intention of the resolution that nominations be brought in by a committee appointed by the Moderator."

It is contrary to the General Laws, Chapter 39, Section 14, to *elect* members of the Finance Committee. Section 14 provides that a town whose valuation exceeds \$1,000,000 shall by By-Law provide for the *appointment* of a committee. This being so, it remains to be seen if the intention of the resolution, namely, that "nominations be brought in by a Committee appointed by the Moderator" can be carried out under the statute and our present By-Law.

Our By-Law on the appointment of a Finance Committee reads as follows: "There shall be a Finance and Advisory Board of nine voters. Three members of said Board shall be appointed annually on or before the first day of April to serve for the term of three years. Such appointments shall be made by a committee of three to be appointed by the Moderator at the annual town meeting.

Under the statute and the town By-Law members of the Finance Committee must be *appointed* and not *elected*. Therefore, nominations cannot be submitted to the voters and voted upon so as to bind the appointing power.

As Town Counsel, I could not therefore, insert an article in the annual Town Warrant calling for the election of members of the Finance Committee which would be legal.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER HILL, Town Counsel.

Article 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary

to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations for the same.

Voted — That the sum of \$24,344.00 be appropriated for General Government as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Moderator .....	\$ 25.00
Selectmen, Salaries .....	285.00
Selectmen, Miscellaneous .....	1,600.00
Accounting Department .....	1,772.50
Treasurer and Collector, Salary .....	2,312.50
Treasurer and Collector, Expenses .....	2,658.00
Treasurer and Collector, Bonds .....	655.50
Assessors, Salaries .....	1,140.00
Assessors, Clerk .....	1,520.00
Assistant Assessors .....	300.00
Street Lists .....	500.00
Assessors, Expenses .....	500.00
Other Finance Accounts .....	100.00
Law Department .....	1,340.00
Town Clerk, Salary .....	1,017.50
Town Clerk, Expenses .....	150.00
Elections and Registration .....	2,000.00
General Clerk Hire .....	988.00
Finance and Advisory Board .....	50.00
Board of Appeal .....	100.00
Planning Board .....	50.00
Municipal Offices .....	3,000.00
Armory Hall .....	2,280.00
	\$24,344.00

Voted — That the sum of \$63,191.00 be appropriated for Protection of Persons and Property as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Police Department .....	\$27,240.00
Police at Athletic Contests .....	125.00
Fire Department .....	21,652.00
Hydrant Service .....	5,000.00
Rifle Practice .....	800.00
Sealing of Weights and Measures .....	300.00
Inspection of Buildings .....	970.00
Inspection of Wires .....	655.00
Moth Suppression .....	4,488.00
Tree Warden, Salary .....	435.00
Shade Trees .....	1,526.00
	\$63,191.00

Voted — That the sum of \$28,332.20 be appropriated for Health and Sanitation as recommended by the Finance and Ad-

visory Board, as follows:

Board of Health, Salaries .....	\$ 285.00
Board of Health, General .....	6,100.00
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital .....	7,724.20
Vital Statistics .....	100.00
Dental Clinic .....	1,100.00
Board of Health Nurse .....	950.00
Sewer Maintenance .....	4,500.00
Sewer Services .....	1,500.00
Sewer Construction, General .....	500.00
Disposal of Ashes .....	2,700.00
Care of Dump .....	748.00
Disposal of Garbage .....	1,900.00
Comfort Station .....	225.00

\$28,332.20

Voted — That the sum of \$63,667.00 be appropriated for Highways, as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Highways, Catchbasins and Drains .....	\$34,167.00
Sidewalks and Edgestones .....	3,000.00
Snow Removal .....	10,000.00
Street Signs and Beacons .....	1,500.00
Street Railings .....	500.00
Street Lighting .....	14,500.00

\$63,667.00

Voted — That the sum of \$86,668.00 be appropriated for Charities and Soldiers' Benefits as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Board of Public Welfare, Salaries .....	\$ 285.00
Board of Public Welfare, Clerk .....	741.00
Board of Public Welfare, Agent .....	1,500.00
Town Physician .....	750.00
Board of Public Welfare, Administration .....	150.00
Outside Relief .....	39,450.00
Infirmary .....	8,015.00
Old Age Assistance, Administration .....	30.00
Old Age Assistance, Clerk .....	247.00
Old Age Assistance, Agent .....	500.00
Old Age Assistance .....	25,000.00
State and Military Aid .....	4,000.00
Soldiers' Relief .....	6,000.00

\$86,668.00

Mr. Lister for the Finance and Advisory Board moved that the sum of \$167,321.75 be appropriated for Schools and Library in accordance with the recommendations of the Finance and Advi-

sory Board, as follows:

Schools, General .....	\$156,561.75
Trade Schools .....	2,000.00
Americanization School .....	500.00
Public Library .....	8,260.00
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	\$167,321.75

Mr. Munger offered an amendment to increase the appropriation for schools \$4,360.00 in order to take care of the teachers' salary increments. The amendment prevailed and it was then voted that the sum of \$171,681.75 be appropriated for Schools and Library to be expended as follows:

Schools, General .....	\$160,921.75
Trade Schools .....	2,000.00
Americanization School .....	500.00
Public Library .....	8,260.00
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	\$171,681.75

Voted — That the sum of \$11,802.35 be appropriated for Recreation and Unclassified as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Parks and Playgrounds .....	\$ 3,020.00
Damage Claims .....	1,000.00
Memorial Day .....	600.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves .....	500.00
Rent of Veterans' Quarters .....	800.00
Fire Insurance .....	3,075.00
Automobile Insurance .....	1,031.35
Taxes on Town Property .....	776.00
Town Reports .....	800.00
Travel Outside of State .....	200.00
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	\$11,802.35

Voted — That the sum of \$24,125.00 be appropriated for Enterprises and Cemeteries as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Water Maintenance .....	\$16,100.00
Water Services .....	2,000.00
Water Extensions .....	1,000.00
Lindenwood Cemetery .....	4,025.00
Pleasant Street Cemetery .....	100.00
Town Scales .....	75.00
Care of Civic Center Property .....	825.00
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	\$24,125.00

Voted — That the sum of \$67,600.00 be appropriated for Interest and Maturing Debt as recommended by the Finance and Advisory Board, as follows:

Interest .....	\$10,600.00
Debt .....	57,000.00
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	\$67,600.00

Voted — That the foregoing sums appropriated for town charges amounting to \$541,411.30 be raised as follows:

From the revenue of the current year .....	\$511,411.30
From Excess and Deficiency Account .....	10,000.00
From proceeds of Emergency Finance Loan .....	20,000.00

Voted — That the sum of \$15,000.00 be transferred from Overlay Reserve account to Reserve Fund.

Voted — That from the several appropriations allocated to the Public Works Department, there be segregated a total sum of \$20,000.00, said sum to be used as wages to be paid unemployed persons under the direction of a committee who shall fix the rate of pay, said committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Finance and Advisory Board.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1936, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Voted — That the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1936, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money for general municipal purposes under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49, of the Acts of 1933, as amended by Chapter 300 of the Acts of 1935, or take any action relative thereto.

Voted — That the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow for general maintenance expenses of the Town the sum of \$20,000.00, but in no event a sum in excess of the amount of tax titles taken or held by the Town, and to issue a note or notes of the Town therefor, all in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49 of the Acts of 1933 as amended by Chapter 300, Acts of 1935. The Assessors are authorized to use the amount received as available funds in fixing the tax rate. Unanimous.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to grant free use of Armory Hall to Veterans organiza-

tions and to organizations of a community nature.

Voted — That the Selectmen be authorized to grant the free use of Armory Hall to Veterans' organizations and to organizations of a community nature.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to pay the rent of quarters or to lease quarters for the use of J. P. Gould Post No. 75, G. A. R.; Leon E. Warren Camp 31, U. S. W. V.; Stoneham Post No. 115, American Legion, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed as an appropriation has been made for this purpose under Article 4.

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint one of its Board members, Health Officer and Milk Inspector and raise and appropriate money therefor.

Voted — That the Town do authorize the Board of Health to appoint its Secretary or any other of its Board members, Health Officer and Milk Inspector and raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,710.00 therefor.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Christmas lighting, appoint a committee to expend such sum or do anything in relation thereto. (Planning Board.)

Voted — That the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for Christmas lighting, said sum to be expended by a committee consisting of William F. Wilson, Charles E. Crosby and Charles Baldwin.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the Town's share of WPA expenses and determine how the appropriation shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the sum of \$10,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the Town's share of WPA expenses; said money to be expended by Board of Selectmen and Finance and Advisory Board as a joint committee.

Voted — That the sum of \$3,900.00 be raised and appropriated for expenses of Administration of W. P. A. projects, said money to be expended by Board of Selectmen and Finance and Advisory Board as a joint committee.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction may reject any bid which they deem inadequate, or take any action relative thereto. (Selectmen.)

Mr. Lister moved that the Selectmen be and hereby are au-

thorized to sell, after first giving notice of the time and place of sale by posting such notice of sale in some convenient and public place in the town fourteen days at least before the sale, property taken by the town under tax title procedure provided that the Selectmen or whomsoever they may authorize to hold such public auction, may reject any bid which they deem inadequate.

This motion was lost.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to repair Armory Hall, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for repairs to Armory Hall, said repairs to be made under the direction of the Selectmen; said expenditures to be made in accordance with specified repairs as submitted to the Finance and Advisory Board.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the pruning of dead wood from the elms, and for the removal of any dead or dying elms on the public streets or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a truck for the Infirmary and authorize the disposal of a truck now on hand or do anything in relation thereto. (Board of Public Welfare.)

Voted — That the sum of \$665.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a truck for the Infirmary and that said purchase be made by a committee consisting of T. Arthur Pettengill, Chairman, Charles E. Ames, Percival H. Wardwell, Cornelius J. Sweeney, J. Clarence Nelson and that said committee be authorized to purchase a truck and to make such disposition of the truck now on hand as they may deem most advantageous to the town.

Article 16. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of assessments levied on the town for its share of the principal of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Act of 1932 bonds maturing in 1936, issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932, also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10, also for the town's share of the cost and interest on said bonds due in 1936, also for the care, maintenance, and repair of said hospital for 1935, and including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable thereto, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, determine how the money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon.

Voted — That the sum of \$7,724.20 appropriated under Article 4 for the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital be expended as follows: For the Town's share of the principal of the Middlesex

County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Acts of 1932 bonds maturing in 1936, \$5,000.00; for interest and other charges on account thereof, \$318.75; for the Town's share of the net cost of care, maintenance and repairs of the Middlesex County Hospital, including interest on temporary notes issued therefor, \$2,405.45; all in accordance with sections of Chapter 111, General Laws applicable thereto.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a cruising automobile equipped with radio for the Police Department, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to pay for the installation of traffic signals at the junction of Main Street and Hancock Street, or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the addition of two police patrol boxes (one located at Spring Street and Stevens Street and one at Pomerow Street Playground) to the present police signal system, or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a motorcycle equipped with radio for the Police Department and authorize said department to sell or turn in one motorcycle now on hand or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the sum of \$430.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a motorcycle for the Police Department and that said purchase be made by a committee consisting of T. Arthur Pettengill, Chairman, Charles E. Ames, Percival H. Wardwell, Cornelius J. Sweeney, J. Clarence Nelson and that said committee be authorized to purchase a motorcycle and to make such disposition of the motorcycle now on hand as they may deem most advantageous to the town.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a teletypewriter in the Police Department or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for radio service from the Town of Arlington, or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Voted — That the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated for police radio service from the Town of Arlington.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a truck for the Moth Department and authorize the disposal of truck now on hand or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Moth Work.)

Voted — That the sum of \$740.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a truck for the Moth Department and that said purchase be made by a committee consisting of T. Arthur Petten-gill, Chairman, Charles E. Ames, Percival H. Wardwell, Cornelius J. Sweeney, J. Clarence Nelson and that said committee be authorized to purchase a truck and to make such disposition of the truck now on hand as they may deem most advantageous to the town.

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of an automobile for the use of the Chief of the Fire Department or do anything in relation thereto. (Fire Department.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to reconstruct the Fire Alarm System, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Fire Department.)

Voted — That the sum of \$8,000.00 be raised and appropriated to reconstruct the Fire Alarm System, said expenditure to be made by a committee consisting of William F. McCall, Chairman; Thomas E. Cahill, Almond H. Smith, Daniel W. Poore, Carl F. Daley.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a Public Town Way, Royal Street as laid out by the Board of Survey, or do anything in relation thereto. (Residents of Street.)

Voted — That the Town do accept as a public town way Royal Street as laid out by the Board of Survey.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the construction of Royal Street under the laws relating to the assessment of betterments, or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Residents of Street.)

Voted — That the sum of \$1,900.00 be raised and appropriated for the construction of Royal Street under the laws relating to the assessment of betterments.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Summer Street, between Franklin Street and Gould Street, or any part thereof, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the Town do resurface Summer Street between Franklin Street and Gould Street and raise and appropriate the sum of \$5,000.00 therefor on condition that this sum, together with sums which may be allotted by the State and County, are sufficient for the completion of this work.

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Spring Street, between East Street and the Stoneham-Wakefield line, or any part thereof, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to resurface William Street throughout its entire length, or any part thereof, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of two dump trucks for the Public Works Department and authorize the disposal of two trucks now on hand or do anything in relation thereto. (Supt. of Public Works.)

Voted — That the sum of \$1,000.00 be raised and appropriated for the purchase of one dump truck for the Public Works Department and that said purchase be made by a committee consisting of T. Arthur Pettengill, Chairman; Charles E. Ames, Percival H. Wardwell, Cornelius J. Sweeney, J. Clarence Nelson, and that said committee be authorized to purchase a truck and to make such disposition of the truck now on hand as they may deem most advantageous to the town.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a compressor for the Public Works Department or do anything in relation thereto. (Supt. of Public Works.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a caterpillar tractor and plow for sidewalks for the Public Works Department or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to enlarge the drain running through Fordell Park (so-called) laid out by the County Commissioners in the year 1899, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Supt. of Public Works.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to construct asphalt concrete sidewalks in the following streets under provisions of Chapter 83, General Laws, raise and appropriate money therefor

or do anything in relation thereto: Marble Street, between Main Street and Stoneham-Winchester line; Franklin Street, between Stevens Street and Stoneham-Melrose line; Elm Street, between Norval Avenue and Stoneham-Wakefield line; Montvale Avenue, between railroad crossing and Stoneham-Woburn line. (Supt. of Public Works.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to erect a High School Building, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (James A. Patch.)

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to erect an Elementary School Building, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (James A. Patch.)

Mr. Buck for the Advisory Committee on High School and Auditorium offered a motion that consideration of the subject matter of the committee's report be postponed and taken up at a special town meeting, to be called for April 16, 1936. Mr. Rounds offered as an amendment that Mr. Robert V. Kleinschmidt, Patrick J. Callahan, Pender S. Humphrey, Frank J. Gallagher be added to the committee.. Mr. Gallagher declined to serve. Mr. J. A. Patch offered a second amendment that Frederick L. McLaughlin, Theodore F. Moore, Howard W. Watson also be added to the committee. The amendment of Mr. Patch, not being seconded, was withdrawn. The amendment offered by Mr. Rounds was carried in the negative and the original motion as made by Mr. Buck was then carried. It was further voted that Articles 36 and 37 be likewise postponed to be taken up at special town meeting to be called for April 16, 1936.

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for a playground a certain parcel of land owned by George Cole, bounded by Park, Winthrop and Dean Streets and other land of Cole, containing 77,219 square feet of land, more or less, as shown on a plan made by Russell C. Chase, C. E., dated January 6, 1931, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. (Planning Board.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for a playground a certain parcel of land owned by Joseph Butler on Pine Street, containing 56,986 square feet of land and bounded by Pine Street, by land of the Public Works Department on the North; by land of the B. & M. R. R. on the East and land of Josepha M. Ervin on the South; raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely

postponed.

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to provide for pipe and filling in the Gould Meadow Playground, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for landscaping and a guard rail at the Pomeworth Street Playground, or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the construction of three tennis courts at the Pomeworth Street Playgrounds, or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for playground equipment, or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Mr. Lister offered a motion that the sum of \$200.00 be raised and appropriated for playground equipment; said expenditure to be made by the Park Commissioners. On motion of Mr. Schneider this amount was amended to read \$400.00 and the motion as amended was carried.

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding the following to be known as Article XV:

#### ARTICLE NO. XV

##### REGULATION OF ADVERTISING SIGNS AND BILLBOARDS

Section 1. AUTHORIZATION. In conformity with the General Laws and lawful state regulations for the proper control and restriction of outdoor advertising devices, and without relaxing any restrictions on said devices imposed by such regulations, said devices in the Town of Stoneham are hereby further restricted as provided in the following sections.

Sections 2. EXEMPTIONS. This by-law shall apply exclusively to out-door advertising within public view of any highway, public park or reservation. It shall not apply to signs or other devices controlled under the provisions of Section 1, 2 or 8, of Chapter 85, General Laws, or to signs or other devices on or in the rolling stock, stations, subways or structures of or used by common carriers, except advertising devices on bridges or viaducts or abutments thereof; and, except for lawful restrictions as to size and location, it shall not apply to signs or other devices which advertise or indicate either the person occupying the premises in ques-

tion or the business transacted thereon or advertise the property itself or any part thereof as for sale or to let and which contain no other advertising matter. It also shall not apply to any advertising device legally permitted and maintained on the date of the taking effect of this by-law, until one year after the first day of July next following said date.

Section 3. DEFINITIONS:

*"Advertising Devices"* shall mean billboards, painted bulletins, poster panels, signs, placards and other outdoor units designed to call public attention to the matter displayed thereon.

*"Advertising Sign"* or *"Sign"* shall mean any outdoor advertising device.

*"Sign-board"* shall mean any structure designed for displaying an outdoor advertisement.

*"Highway"* shall mean any public way.

*"Public Park"* shall mean a piece of public land of at least five thousand square feet set apart for beauty and public enjoyment.

*"Public Reservation"* shall mean a piece of public land set apart for recreational use, as a state or municipal forest, as a protection to a public water supply, as a memorial, or cemetery, or as a place of unusual scenic or historical interest.

*"Permitted"* shall mean authorized by an official permit.

*"Display"* shall mean to make or maintain visible from any highway, public park or reservation.

*"Area"* of a sign or signboard shall mean the area of the face view of the entire device, including all attachments except supports and lattice at the base thereof.

*"Residential District"* shall mean any area zoned as residential.

*"Non-Conforming Business"* shall mean a business located in a residential or rural district, other than such rural business as farming or the raising and sale on the premises of farm, garden or orchard products.

*"Lawful Sign"* shall mean any outdoor advertising device not prohibited by any provision of law or by any lawful regulation.

*"Accessory Sign"* shall mean any outdoor advertising device which carries only advertisements strictly incidental and subordinate to a lawful use of the premises on which it is located, including signs indicating business transacted or goods sold or produced on the premises or an occupant thereof, but not including any sign sold or rented to an outside party.

*"Sign on a Wall"* shall mean a sign closely attached throughout to and facing with that wall, or on a window or door therein.

*"Lot"* shall mean a plot of ground containing and devoted to the purposes of a building, or laid out to contain a building, with all required open spaces; or a larger tract of unbuilt, undivided land under one ownership.

Section 4. GENERAL RESTRICTIONS. No person, firm, association or corporation shall be permitted or allowed to erect, display or maintain any billboard or other outdoor advertising device, not exempted by Section 2 hereof, except those specified in paragraphs (a) (b) (c) (d) and (e) of this section.

(a) In districts not of a residential or rural character, any lawful sign on or attached to a wall of a building or any lawful ground or roof sign or signboard no part of which extends over fifteen feet above the part of the ground or roof on which it stands.

(b) In a residential or rural district, any lawful accessory sign or signs not exceeding five square feet in aggregate area on any one building or lot; or any lawful sign or signs advertising only the sale or rental of the premises, not exceeding a total area of ten square feet; or on the premises of any public building, or of any farm, garden, tree-nursery or forest, any lawful accessory signs not exceeding all together fifteen square feet in area within the limits of said premises; or any lawful accessory signs on the front wall of any building occupied by a non-conforming business.

(c) Any lawful sign not exceeding thirty-two square feet in area displayed by the town, or any sign displayed by the United States, the state or the county, relative to government business.

(d) At any boundary line of the town a lawful sign not exceeding five square feet in area indicating the meetings of any civic organization located therein.

(e) On property owned or principally occupied by a religious, civic or charitable organization, association of war veterans, or the like, any lawful accessory sign displayed by written permission of the Selectmen and approval of the inspector of buildings if any, for a limited period not exceeding sixty days.

Section 5. SET-BACKS. No advertising sign or signboard shall be permitted or allowed to be so located as to obstruct a view between any points on connecting streets within fifty feet of a corner of the rights of way; or to obstruct any door, window or fire-escape on a building; or, if on a roof, to be set nearer than one half its height to the wall thereof on a street front; or, in a residential district, to extend more than six inches nearer to any boundary of the lot or premises on which it is located than it would be lawful to maintain a building, except as provided in paragraph (d) of Section 4.

Section 6. PROHIBITIONS. Except signs exempted under Section 2, no person, firm, association or corporation shall be permitted or allowed to erect, display or maintain any billboard or other outdoor advertising device in any district.

(a) Except the owner or a tenant occupant of the premises where it is located, or a party holding written permission from either to display the device for a limited period, which party's name shall be conspicuously displayed thereon;

- (b) Upon any rock, tree, fence or pole;
- (c) Within one hundred feet of any church, public building, monument or memorial, or within three hundred feet of any public park, playground, or public reservation, if within view from any portion thereof; except that this paragraph shall not apply to accessory signs on the walls of buildings;
- (d) If it contains any obscene, indecent or immoral matter;
- (e) Unless all parts and attachments and the ground about the base thereof are kept in neat and safe condition.

Section 7. ADMINISTRATION. No advertising device for which a permit from any state authority is required shall be erected, displayed or maintained in the town until five days after a permit therefor, or a true copy thereof, has been filed with the Town Clerk. Whenever notice of an application for such a permit is received by the Town Clerk, he shall immediately transmit it to the Inspector of Buildings or other officer, if any, charged with the administration of this by-law. Such officer, or in the lack of such officer, the Town Clerk, shall thereupon make an examination of the case and, as promptly as possible, within thirty days of the receipt of the application by the Town Clerk, shall send written notice to the state authority to whom the application is addressed, stating whether or not the proposed advertising device would violate any provision of this by-law, and, if so, what provision. Like notice shall be sent also to the applicant and to the owner or tenant of the proposed location of the device.

At least twenty-five days before an outdoor advertising device not requiring a permit from any state authority and not exempted under Section 2 shall be erected or displayed in the town, a description thereof and of its proposed location shall be filed with the Town Clerk, after which the procedure shall be the same as described in the preceding paragraph in the case of an application for a state permit, except that notice whether or not the device would violate any provision of the law shall be sent, within twenty days after receipt of the description, only to the party filing the same and to the owner or tenant of the proposed location.

Section 8. PENALTIES AND ENFORCEMENT. Whoever violates any provisions of Sections 4, 5 or 6 hereof, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and shall be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars, and whoever after final conviction for such violation unlawfully displays such outdoor advertising device for twenty days shall be punished by a fine of not more than five hundred dollars.

The Selectmen or any officer charged with the enforcement of this by-law shall cause any such violator to be prosecuted; and shall notify the state regulatory authority of Outdoor Advertising of any and all violations of lawful state regulations.

Any town officer or any interested party may petition the Superior Court in equity to enjoin the erection or maintenance of

any outdoor advertising device erected or maintained in violation of any provision of this by-law. Town officials shall have the same right and power to cause the removal of any outdoor advertising device as of any structure or building maintained in violation of a by-law.

Section 9. If any provision of this by-law is declared unconstitutional or illegal by any Court, the validity of the remaining provisions shall not be affected thereby.

Section 10. All regulations for outdoor advertising devices heretofore adopted by the town and in force at the time of the adoption of the foregoing sections are hereby repealed.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Under Article 3 it was voted that the appropriation for Memorial Day be expended under the direction of a committee consisting of: J. P. Gould Post 75, George E. Kenson, Rodman F. Davis, Joseph A. Moulton, Henry D. Wallace; Leon E. Warren Camp 31, U. S. W. V., Clarke D. Whiteman, George B. Williams, Arthur N. Newhall, Harry S. Ford, John D. MacMullen, Michael P. Doherty; Stoneham Post 115, A. L., Ernest N. Thibodeau, Edmund Kelley, C. Earl Sylvester, William S. Coy, Ernest L. Mann, Clyde W. Carter.

Adjourned at 11.15 P. M.

### Party Primary, Tuesday, April 28, 1936

Agreeable to a warrant signed by the Selectmen April 7, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham, qualified to vote in primaries, met in Armory Hall in said Town, Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of April, 1936, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by Everett C. Hunt, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen and the Warrant read.

The Tellers appointed by the Selectmen as required by law were sworn by the Town Clerk, and assigned to duty as follows:

#### BALLOT CLERKS

*Republican* — Charles H. Parsons.

*Democrat* — Harry W. Delano.

#### TELLERS

*Republicans* — Bessie M. Lund, Donald J. Morrison, Alice R. Worthen.

*Democrats* — Marie M. Burns, Mary A. Dever, Mary A. McDonough.

Five boxes said to contain 3821 Republican official ballots and 1621 Democratic official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks who gave a receipt for the same.

The ballot box was opened, examined, the dials set at 0, locked and the keys given in charge of the Chairman and the polls declared open to receive ballots.

At eight o'clock in the evening the polls were declared closed, at which time the ballot box registered 814, as ascertained by the Town Clerk.

The check lists at the gates had the names of 814 persons checked as having received ballots, 614 Republicans and 200 Democrats.

The check lists at the ballot box had the names of 814 persons checked as having voted, 614 Republicans and 200 Democrats.

The number of ballots taken from the ballot box as counted by the Chairman was 814; 614 Republicans and 200 Democrats.

The number of unused ballots returned to the Town Clerk was 4628; 3207 Republican and 1421 Democratic.

The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen appointed the following additional Tellers to assort and count ballots:

*Republicans* — Beulah J. Anderson, Gordon F. May, Bertha C. Moulton, Herbert Patchett, Bertha W. Whittemore.

*Democrats* — John C. Cahill, Mary A. K. Hamill, Ernest F. O'Brien.

The Tellers were assigned to count the ballots; two Republicans and two Democrats in each group.

All the Republican ballots cast, having been sorted and counted, the tally sheets signed by the Tellers, the blocks of ballots sealed, the total tally sheet proved and signed in accordance with the law, declaration of the same was made as follows:

Ballots cast .....	614
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DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Charles F. Adams of Fairhaven Road, Concord .....	513
George F. Booth of 64 Beechmont Street, Worcester .....	492
Joseph W. Martin of Grove Street, North Attleborough .....	492
Allen T. Treadway of Main Street, Stockbridge .....	511
Blanks .....	448

ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Mary Phillips Bailey of 34 Columbus Avenue, Northampton ..	478
Florence H. LeFevre of 24 Shattuck Road, Norwood .....	467
Wallace Stearns of 60 Charlesgate East, Boston .....	498
Anna C. M. Tillinghast of 6 W. Bellevue Avenue, Cambridge .....	492
Blanks .....	521

DISTRICT DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Robert E. Goodwin of 9 Wood Street, Concord .....	413
Wallace R. Lovett of 63 Stratford Road, Melrose .....	443
Forest A. Rogers of 118 So. Walker Street, Lowell .....	17
John R. Russell of 32 Harvard Street, Winchester .....	59
Blanks .....	296

ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Ethel G. Gray of 220 Pleasant Street, Arlington .....	487
Anna S. Hard of 79 High Street, Lowell .....	470
Blanks .....	271

STATE COMMITTEE

John H. Pearson of 69 Clitheroe Street, Lowell .....	472
Blanks .....	142

DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENTION

William S. Lister of 43 Lindenwood Road .....	273
Orvis H. Saxby of Eastview Terrace .....	68
Lemuel W. Standish of 1 Harrison Street .....	246
Blanks .....	27

TOWN COMMITTEE

Orvis H. Saxby of Eastview Terrace .....	488
G. Richard Barnstead, Jr., of 12 Chestnut Road .....	511
William Cooledge Chase of 12 Myrtle Street .....	469
Laura E. B. MacKay of 16 Lincoln Street .....	457
Alton W. Estes of 74 Marble Street .....	482
Charles H. Chase of 39 Lincoln Street .....	478
Adelaide W. Lister of 8 Winthrop Street .....	488
Stanley D. Wood of 88 Marble Street .....	450
Albert J. Blackburn of 30 South Street .....	485
George A. Packard of 45 Pleasant Street .....	476
Herbert Patchett of 537 Main Street .....	455
William C. Gibbons of 25 Butler Avenue .....	472
George E. MacNeil, Jr., of 1 Washington Court .....	476
Albert W. Nelson of 23 Parkway Road .....	475
Frederick P. Hanford of 44 Broadway .....	506
William S. Lister of 43 Lindenwood Road .....	111
Theodore F. Moore of 19 Isabella Street .....	107
Nicholas E. Apalakis of 16 Gerry Street .....	108
Everett C. Hunt of 25 Wilson Road .....	110
Fred A. Lawson of 10 West Street .....	111
C. Frank Munger of 114 Central Street .....	106
Ethel J. Blinn of 122 Franklin Street .....	108
Arline E. Parks of 3 Highland Avenue .....	118
Clarence E. Lent of 34 Wright Street .....	106
Ralph A. Jenkins .....	10
Glennis M. Smart .....	10
Ethel L. Tucker .....	10
Warren M. Mirick .....	10
Elsie L. deGruchy .....	10
Ernest S. Frazier .....	10
Norval A. Heinlein .....	10
Malcolm R. Bean .....	10
Scattering .....	12
Blanks .....	6517

PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE

Landon .....	335
Hoover .....	35
Borah .....	8

Knox .....	8
Vandenburg .....	7
Townsend .....	2
Coughlin .....	2
Standish .....	1
Blanks .....	214

All the Democratic ballots cast, having been sorted and counted, the tally sheets signed by the Tellers, the blocks of ballots sealed, the total tally sheet proved and signed in accordance with the law, declaration of the same was made as follows:

Ballots cast .....	200
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#### DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

David I. Walsh of 37 Day Street, Fitchburg .....	123
Marcus I. Coolidge of 164 Blossom Street, Fitchburg .....	85
James M. Curley of 350 Jamaicaway, Boston .....	115
William J. Granfield of 74 Park Drive, Springfield .....	77
Joseph McGrath of 10 Caspian Way, Boston .....	76
Margaret M. O'Riordan of 14 Asticou Road, Boston .....	76
Elizabeth L. McNamara of 239 Upland Road, Cambridge ....	80
Grace Hartley Howe of 464 Locust Street, Fall River .....	70
Timothy E. Carroll of 10 Eighth Street, Cambridge .....	19
Alexander F. Sullivan of 92 Wordsworth Street, Boston .....	15
Blanks .....	864

#### ALTERNATE DELEGATES AT LARGE TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Clemintina Langone of 190 North Street, Boston .....	81
Mary Maliotis of 272 Foster Street, Boston .....	73
Golda R. Walters of 6 Blake Street, Woburn .....	82
Sadie H. Mulrone of 48 Terrace Street, Springfield .....	76
Louise B. Clark of 92 Pleasant Street, Bridgewater .....	76
H. Oscar Rocheleau of 116 Summer Street, Worcester .....	72
Stanley W. Wisnioski of 254 Washington Avenue, Chelsea ....	70
Julian D. Rainey of 40 Waumbeck Street, Boston .....	76
Blanks .....	994

#### DISTRICT DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Michael T. Golden of 5 Hill Street, Woburn .....	104
William F. McCarthy of 35 Oakland Street, Lowell .....	66
James J. Bruin of 161 School Street, Lowell .....	10
Thomas J. Corbett of 287 Fairmount Street, Lowell .....	5
George J. Murray of 8 Wiley Road, Belmont .....	14
Blanks .....	201

#### ALTERNATE DISTRICT DELEGATES TO NATIONAL CONVENTION

Alice I. Goland of 1090 Massachusetts Avenue, Arlington ....	58
Joseph F. O'Connell of 31 Norris Street, Cambridge .....	74
Clement G. McDonough of 727 Bridge Street, Lowell .....	17
Jeremiah J. O'Sullivan of 105 Mt. Washington St., Lowell ....	22
Blanks .....	229

STATE COMMITTEE	
Frank A. Cassidy of 305 Merrimack Street, Lowell .....	66
Blanks .....	134
DELEGATE TO STATE CONVENTION	
Thomas J. Driscoll of 8 Isabella Street .....	58
Arthur D. Kenney of 65 Summer Street .....	56
William J. Mahoney of 7 Tremont Street .....	8
William H. McHale of 8 Walnut Street .....	66
Blanks .....	12
TOWN COMMITTEE	
Martin F. McDonough of 57 Pleasant Street .....	102
Peter P. Meehan of 436 Main Street .....	82
Elizabeth B. English of 56 Pine Street .....	72
John J. Foley of 6 Winter Street .....	74
Agnes N. Kelly of 20 Gerry Street .....	71
William H. McHale of 8 Walnut Street .....	102
Hugh A. Dougherty of 84 Franklin Street .....	15
Helen V. Dougherty of 84 Franklin Street .....	17
Catherine W. Ahern of 26 Gould Street .....	11
John J. Kenney of 67 Summer Street .....	11
Margaret M. Hanright .....	10
Catherine T. Driscoll .....	5
Elizabeth G. McGowen .....	6
Arthur V. Kenney .....	1
Arthur D. Kenney .....	4
Louise A. Doherty .....	1
Oliver Abbott .....	3
George Connors .....	3
Alice E. Fedigan .....	2
Blanks .....	1408
PRESIDENTIAL PREFERENCE	
Roosevelt .....	51
Coughlin .....	8
Borah .....	1
Blanks .....	140

All requirements of law having been complied with the Primary adjourned.

### Town Meeting, May 18, 1936

Agreeable to a warrant signed by the Selectmen, April 28, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in Armory Hall in said town on Monday, May 18, 1936, at 8.00 o'clock in the evening.

The Tellers appointed to serve on the check lists were as follows: Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Harry W. Delano, Bessie M. Lund, Charles H. Parsons, Henry D. Strail, who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Check lists showed that 936 voters entered the hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, James A. Munro, and the warrant read.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing a high school and auditorium and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the Town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and authorize the appointment of a committee to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made; or take any action relative thereto.

Mr. Lister for the Finance and Advisory Board offered the following motion:

I move that, for the purpose of financing the construction of a High School building and auditorium and to enable the Town to secure the benefits of the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, there be raised and appropriated the sum of \$532,000 and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$292,600 and to issue bonds or notes of the Town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935; said bonds or notes to be payable in not more than twenty years at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board.

All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof (including preliminary expenses), and any balance thereof shall be applied to payment of the loan herein authorized.

The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the Town, for use in carrying out such project a Federal Grant of money pursuant to the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and the High School Building Committee are authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable Federal regulations; and the Selectmen and the Building Committee are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for obtaining said grant, for making said loan, and for construction of said project; provided, however, that the Treasurer and the Building Committee shall not be authorized to take any action pursuant to this vote until the Town has received an offer of a Federal Grant of money for this project and such offer has been accepted by the Selectmen as above directed.

Mr. Frank B. Hamill, a member of the Advisory Committee on High School and Auditorium submitted the following minority report which is shown herewith:

To the Citizens of Stoneham:

A majority of the committee appointed last year to investigate school housing conditions have voted to resubmit the report made at the annual March meeting. As my views on the subject were not in accordance with this report, I retained the right to submit a minority report. The recommendations of the majority call for the erection of a sixteen room Senior High School at an approximate cost of \$300,000 "when and if the town sees fit." This "when and if" proviso indicated that a serious doubt existed in the minds of the majority as to whether our townspeople were prepared to enter into a project of this size at this time. I share their doubts on any project involving such a huge sum.

The finances of the corporate town are in good shape, but when it is considered that we are operating on an inflated valuation, it being estimated by persons conversant with real estate values in town that a truer valuation would show a tax rate in excess of \$40.00 a thousand instead of the \$33.20 rate called for this year, that almost one-tenth of taxable property, the greater part of which has been taken over in recent years is now in the hands of banks, that for the various agencies of relief the town for the current year appropriated \$86,000 with the possibilities more will be needed, some estimates running as high as \$195,000, and when we read in our local papers every week of some of our fellow townsmen losing their homes through forced sales or foreclosures, it must be apparent to any thinking citizen that general conditions are not good. I am not a pessimist and believe eventually things will right themselves, but at the present time, I feel we should go slow on any proposition which may place an additional burden on already harassed taxpayers.

After going through the school buildings it is my sincere conviction that the pupils of the Senior and Junior High Schools are infinitely better situated and housed than are those in the North, East, South and Dean Schools. I maintain if any money is to be spent it should be where the need is greatest and that the erection of a sixteen room Senior High School is not the answer to this problem as we would still have the need of elementary schools.

When the majority of the School-Housing Committee voted to resubmit their report, it was understood that the school authorities looked upon it with favor, but they have since gone on record as favoring a twenty-six room building to be erected with Government aid. Leaving out the very debatable question of the ultimate value of government assistance to the town, I am for many reasons opposed to this plan.

Should it be adopted it is contemplated that the North, East and Dean Schools would be abolished, the pupils of the North to be housed in the new edifice and the others in the present High School. All of the 1750 public school children in town, with the exception of those attending the South School, which now has 132

pupils, will be housed within a radius of a quarter of a mile. For years to come, it will be necessary to transport children of tender age through our crowded streets with their apparent dangers. The close touch which now exists between parent and teacher and which has proven so beneficial in the education and upbringing of children, particularly the smaller ones, will be minimized if not done away with. A parent who would feel free to drop into a neighboring school to discuss things would not always find time to come from the more remote sections nor would he feel as free in a building of this size.

And so believing in neither of these plans, I submit the following for your consideration:

That the Town enter into a program covering a period of years and as conditions allow, of building three six-room elementary schools, respectively located in the Southeast, Northwest and Southwest sections of the town, and two four room schools with provision for additions when necessary, in the Northeast and East sections, the specific sites to be determined upon after careful study and survey. If the town feels it can afford it, I would recommend one six-room building be erected this year. These buildings would accommodate the pupils now in the Dean and Emerson Schools. The Dean School to be vacated for school purposes and the Emerson School to accommodate the seventh grade and the opportunity class in the High School.

I submit the Emerson School is improperly located for children of elementary grade and in support of that contention would point out notwithstanding it is by far the most up-to-date building we have and many children have to be transported and that it has a capacity of 280, yet it has a total of 192 pupils or an average of 24 per room as against 28 per room for the North, 30 for the East and 33 for the South.

The transfer of the seventh grade to the Emerson School and a revision of courses should take care of the Senior and Junior High School needs for some time to come. I claim no particular knowledge of education affairs but when out of 410 periods in the Senior High under regular teachers there are 85 periods where there are from 4 to 14 pupils occupying the service of a room and teacher, it seems to me some revisions could be made.

There are also 33 periods in the Junior High having 14 or less pupils. I am of the opinion if the town adopts the plan I have outlined, the ultimate cost will be less than either of the other two and results more satisfactory. I believe it to be the most comprehensive and economical solution of this problem and respectfully submit it for your consideration.

FRANK B. HAMILL,  
Member of School-Housing Committee..

Mr. Charles F. Buck for the Trustees of the Playground Fund submitted the following:

**Mr. Moderator:**

I hold here a blue print of a plan which is supposed to represent the location of the proposed school building to be erected on Central Street, with a part of said building covering a part of the original Tidd Street Playground, so-called.

This plan is not signed by anyone and nothing thereon indicates who is responsible for the layout. This blue print was sent to me by the Superintendent of Schools.

My particular interest in the plan has to do with the proposal to use a part of the original Tidd Street Playground on which to place part of the proposed building.

Attention is called to the fact that land for the original playground was purchased, graded, equipped and fenced by Trustees of Playground Fund and deeded to the Town for and as a children's playground, and was duly accepted as such by vote of the Town.

This is a *public* playground available for use of all younger children, is under control of the Park Commissioners, who, may I add, have managed the playground to entire satisfaction of Trustees of Playground Fund.

The proposal to use a part of said original playground for public school purposes, or for any purpose other than a public playground for children, is entirely unsatisfactory to Trustees of Playground Fund, and said Trustees protest such proposed change of use.

CHARLES FRED BUCK,  
LOIS H. RICKEY,  
ARTHUR STEELE,  
Trustees Playground Fund.

Stoneham, Mass., May 18, 1936.

Mr. Hamill moved that the Selectmen be authorized to call a meeting so that the voters could register their opinions on the questions of a new High School Building, a new Elementary School Building or any school building. This motion was lost.

The Moderator appointed as Tellers to count votes as follows: James J. Baldwin, Elliott M. Dorn, Lawrence E. Doucett, George G. Graham, H. Stanley Kinsley, Clarence E. Lent, James J. McDonald, Edward M. Noonan, Randolph J. Owen, Percy A. Spear.

The motion of Mr. Lister was then put with the following results: Yes 284, No 545.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote to erect a High School Building, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing an elementary school and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on be-

half of the Town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the Emergency Relief Appropriation Act of 1935, and authorize the appointment of a committee to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made; or take any action relative thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to erect an Elementary School Building, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto.

Mr. Lister for the Finance and Advisory Board moved that the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

This motion was lost.

On motion of Mr. Kleinschmidt it was voted that the Moderator appoint a committee of five to study the question of erecting an Elementary School building and report at the next town meeting.

On motion of Mr. John J. Sullivan it was voted that the sum of \$200 be appropriated for expenses of this committee, the same to be transferred from the Excess and Deficiency Account.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to appoint a Committee of three to consider and recommend means of abolishing the two platoon system in the High School and raise and appropriate a sum of money for the use of said committee in making investigations or take any action relative thereto.

Mr. Lister for the Finance and Advisory Board moved that the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

This motion was lost.

Mr. Frank J. Gallagher moved that a committee of three consisting of Frank J. Gallagher, Joseph H. Kerrigan, C. Frank Munger be appointed to consider and recommend means of abolishing the two platoon system in the High School.

Mr. C. Frank Munger moved as an amendment that the names of George E. Merrifield, James A. Patch and G. Richard Barnstead, Jr., be added to the committee. A vote on the amendment was taken and the Moderator declared the same carried in the affirmative, but the vote being doubted, a count showed 236 in the affirmative and 329 in the negative, and the amendment was declared lost.

It was then voted that Frank J. Gallagher, Joseph H. Kerrigan and C. Frank Munger serve as such a committee.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for a playground a certain parcel of land owned by Joseph Butler on Pine Street, containing 56,986 square feet of land and bounded by Pine Street, by land of the Public Works Department on the North,

by land of the B. & M. R. R. on the East, and land of Josepha M. Ervin on the South; raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to rescind the vote passed March 9, 1936, under Article 4 of the Warrant for the annual town meeting, reading as follows: "Voted — That from the several appropriations allocated to the Public Works Department, there be segregated a total sum of \$20,000.00, said sum to be used as wages to be paid unemployed persons under the direction of a committee who shall fix the rate of pay, said committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Finance and Advisory Board."

Voted — That the Town do rescind the vote passed March 9, 1936, under Article 4 of the Warrant for the annual town meeting, reading as follows: "Voted — That from the several appropriations allocated to the Public Works Department, there be segregated a total sum of \$20,000.00, said sum to be used as wages to be paid unemployed persons under the direction of a committee who shall fix the rate of pay, said committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Finance and Advisory Board."

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote that any excess in the several appropriations allocated to the Public Works Department, not required for the pay of regular employees, the purchase of materials, supplies, truck hire and other necessary expenses, be used as wages for unemployed persons under the direction of a committee who shall fix the rate of pay, said committee to consist of the Board of Selectmen, Board of Public Welfare, Finance and Advisory Board.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 9. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate \$20,000 to be expended under the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Public Welfare on worthy work projects that will furnish labor for local unemployed persons.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the purchase of a pair of horses for the Town Infirmary and authorize the disposal of one horse now owned or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by enlarging the present limits of the Retail Business District, as heretofore defined and set forth, so as to include in the

Retail Business District the following described area, or any part thereof: Extending along the Westerly side of Main Street Southerly from the junction of Main and Marble Streets a distance of one hundred and eight (108) feet, abutting the property of Mary E. Griffin and running back from Main Street one hundred (100) feet.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding at the end of Section 7a of Article 1 "Location of Automobile Services" the following excepted area: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Main and Gerry Streets, and running easterly by said Gerry Street 41 feet, thence southerly by land now or formerly of Tulloch, 1 foot, thence southerly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 43.5 feet, thence westerly by land now or formerly of Thompson 42 feet, thence running by said Main Street 90.5 feet to the beginning.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the Retail Business District as heretofore defined and set forth, so as to include in the Retail Business District the following described area: Beginning at a point on land of Frasco heirs on Main Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts, and being eighty (80) feet distant from the Stoneham and Reading town line; thence the line runs Southeasterly by land of said Frasco heirs, two hundred fifty (250) feet to a point; thence turning and running Southerly at right angles and parallel to said Main Street, by land of said Frasco heirs, a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet therefrom and still by land of said Frasco heirs, three hundred (300) feet to a point at land of Farr; thence turning and running Northwesterly by land of said Farr and land of Frasco heirs to a point on said Main Street and thence turning and running Northerly by said Main Street, three hundred (300) feet to the point of beginning.

Voted — That the Town do amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the Retail Business District as heretofore defined and set forth so as to include in the Retail Business District the following described area: Beginning at a point on land of Frasco heirs on Main Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts, and being eighty (80) feet distant from the Stoneham and Reading town line; thence the line runs Southeasterly by land of said Frasco heirs, two hundred fifty (250) feet to a point; thence turning and running Southerly at right angles and parallel to said Main Street, by land of said Frasco heirs, a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet therefrom and still by land of said Frasco heirs, three hundred (300) feet to a point at land of Farr; thence turning and running Northwesterly by land of said Farr and land of

Frasco heirs to a point on said Main Street and thence turning and running Northerly by said Main Street, three hundred (300) feet to the point of beginning." Unanimous.

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to increase the present limits of the General Business District by adding to the General Business District the following described area, to wit: Beginning at a stone bound at the junction of West Wyoming Avenue and Border Road and at land of Charles A. Walker Estate, thence the line runs Northerly along said Border Road 267.61 feet to a point and still by said Border Road, the line runs Northeasterly 703.37 feet to a point at land of said Walker Estate; thence turning and running Southeasterly and still by said Walker land 200 feet to a point; thence turning and running in a southwesterly direction and still by land of said Walker Estate 640 feet more or less by a curved line and being 200 feet distant from and parallel to said Border Road to a stone bound at land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and said Walker Estate and being about 200 feet distant from said Border Road; thence in a Northwesterly direction by land of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts 203.63 feet to West Wyoming Avenue; thence 25.17 feet to a stone bound and point of beginning.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to increase the present limits of the Retail Business District by adding to the Retail Business District the following described area, to wit: Beginning at a point 400 feet distant from the corner of West Wyoming Avenue and Border Road at land of Charles A. Walker Estate; thence the line runs in a Northeasterly direction along said Border Road 200 feet to a point still at said Walker land; thence turning and running Southeasterly by said Walker land 200 feet to a point; thence turning and running Southwesterly still by land of said Walker 200 feet to a point and being 200 feet distant from and parallel to said Border Road and thence turning and running still by land of said Walker 200 feet in a Northwesterly direction to the point of beginning.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Voted — To adjourn at 11.40 P. M.

### Town Meeting, August 31, 1936

Agreeable to a warrant signed by the Selectmen August 19, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in Armory Hall in said town on Monday, August 31, 1936.

The Tellers appointed to serve on the check list were as follows: Marie M. Burns, Harry W. Delano, May F. Dever, Bessie M. Lund, Donald J. Morrison, Henry D. Strail, who were sworn by the

Town Clerk.

Check lists showed that 1012 voters entered the hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, James A. Munro, and the warrant read at 8.27 o'clock P. M.

Article 1. To hear the report of the Committee appointed under Article 5 of the warrant for a town meeting held May 18, 1936, to consider and recommend means of abolishing the two platoon system in the High School, and to act thereon.

Mr. Frank J. Gallagher, Chairman of the Committee, appointed at the town meeting May 18, 1936, to consider and recommend means of abolishing the two platoon system in the High School, presented a report of the committee, and by reason of the length of the report requested that same be considered without reading. This report, he explained, contained recommendations made by three educators connected with the Public School Department of the City of Boston.

Mr. Gallagher introduced Mr. John Casey, non-voter, and asked that he be extended the courtesy of the floor.

Voted: To extend to Mr. John Casey the courtesy of the floor.

Mr. Casey then explained certain parts of the report which he was instrumental in preparing.

Mr. Gallagher then introduced Mr. Joseph Leary and Dr. Fred Gillis, and it was voted that the courtesy of the floor be extended to all three speakers.

These two gentlemen followed Mr. Casey in explaining sections of the report with which they had been concerned.

At 8.55 o'clock, the Moderator declared a recess.

The meeting was again called to order at 9.00 o'clock.

The explanation of the committee's report was then continued by Dr. Fred Gillis.

Mr. Gallagher moved that the report of the committee be accepted and that the School Committee be instructed to carry out the recommendations contained therein at the earliest possible moment.

Mr. Munger, a member of the committee on the two platoon system, offered a minority report.

The position of the school authorities on the matter was explained by Mr. Varney, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Watson, Principal of the High School, and Mrs. Storey of the School Committee.

Dr. Kerrigan spoke for the committee on the two platoon system and was followed by Dr. Gillis en resume.

The chair appointed as Tellers to count votes the following: James E. Fulton, Fred P. Urquhart, John C. Cahill, James J. McDonald, Edward F. Gay, John N. Kelly, Charles E. Ames, Robert A. Newcomb, Gordon F. May, G. Richard Barnstead, Joseph J. Baldwin, Howard R. Gordon.

Voting on the motion to accept the report of the committee

and instruct the School Committee to carry out the recommendations at the earliest possible moment, resulted as follows: Yes 618, No 270.

A motion was made that the meeting adjourn. This motion was lost.

Mr. Gallagher then offered the following motion:

That the sum of \$4,900 be appropriated for the purpose of making alterations in the High School Building in order to abolish the two platoon system (so called), and that to meet said appropriation, the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$4,900 in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49, of the Acts of 1933 as most recently amended by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1936.

Mr. James J. McDonald spoke on the matter of the legality of this motion, and at his suggestion, the Town Counsel conferred with him on this subject. The Town Counsel then ruled that the motion was legal.

Mr. Lister, Secretary of the Finance and Advisory Board, protested the legality of the motion on the ground that the Finance and Advisory Board had not considered the proposition to raise this amount of money for the purpose stated as the subject matter of that motion had not been submitted to that Board.

A vote on the motion resulted as follows: Yes 357, No 173.

Adjourned at 11.35 P. M.

## **Report of School Committee and Answer by Investigating Committee**

To the Citizens of the Town of Stoneham:

(1) After careful study of the report and recommendations submitted to the School Committee by the Survey Committee the School Committee feels that the report is not a satisfactory solution of the two platoon problem.

(2) Viewing the report of the committee as a whole it appears that the Survey Committee has concerned itself more with establishing and trying to justify a preconceived plan by showing that in some mechanical fashion its ideas can be worked, than in developing a series of ideas which are both mechanically and educationally sound.

### **INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER**

This is a gratuitous statement by the School Committee not based on fact.

The Two Platoon Committee and its Survey Committee were motivated by a desire to help the children. See the Superintendent's own statement in the appendix at the bottom of this report and you will readily understand why all citizens of good will want to abolish the two platoon system. The committee has several plans for the abolition of the present deplorable system of education at the high school, any one of which will effect it.

(3) Considered in detail the report has errors, misleading statements, and unsound educational theories.

Another general statement offered without proof.

(4) In paragraph 2 of the Survey Committee's report under heading, "Physical Accommodations," which lists the rooms used by the junior and senior high schools, the use of some rooms is entirely ignored by the Survey Committee. Thus in the senior high school, Rooms 25, 26, 27 and 32 are all used part time for a total of 22 periods per week yet are unlisted in the report. In the junior high school, Rooms 7, 11, 13, and 36 are used in addition to those listed for a total of 43 periods per week yet are ignored in the report. It is difficult to see how such omissions occurred since the facts were all contained in the program supplied by the school authorities.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The Survey Committee obtained this information from the printed schedule entitled, "Daily Program, Stoneham Senior and Junior High Schools." It is true that certain rooms are used by Senior High classes as follows:

Room 25 .....	6 periods
Room 26 .....	6 periods
Room 27 .....	1 period
Room 32 .....	4 periods

Total ..... 22 periods

But while this occurs, the following Senior High rooms are vacant a greater number of periods:

Room 3 free .....	19 periods
Room 23 free .....	22 periods

Total free ..... 41 periods

It is also true that certain rooms are used by the Junior High School as follows:

Room 7 used .....	9 periods
Room 11 used .....	4 periods
Room 13 used .....	5 periods
Room 36 used .....	25 periods

Total used ..... 41 periods

But while this occurs certain other rooms are free:

Room 9 free .....	4 periods
Room 10 free .....	17 periods
Room 24 free .....	2 periods
Room 26 free .....	3 periods
Room 27 free .....	2 periods
Room 28 free .....	1 period
Room 31 free .....	2 periods
Room 32 free .....	2 periods

Room 33 free .....	2 periods
Room 34 free .....	7 periods

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Total free ..... 42 periods

From this it appears that the interpretation by the Survey Committee was very charitable.

In a visit to the High School during a school session the chairman of the Two Platoon Committee found only 13 of the 26 classrooms or potential classrooms above the basement occupied. One room had six pupils, another 11 pupils, another 13 and several rooms with fewer than 20 pupils. Two of the rooms were used for study periods, making a total of only 11 rooms used for recitation purposes. Principal Watson accompanied the chairman and counted with him the number of pupils in each class. It was a Senior High School session.

(5) In paragraph 9 under the same heading it seems rather weak to argue that because a particular room was originally designed for a particular purpose that it must continue to be used for that purpose.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The Survey Committee labored under no such assumption. The committee believes that the present needs demand that the three rooms in question (Superintendent's office, teachers' room and Opportunity room) revert to their original use as classrooms. The fact that they are designed for that purpose is a good reason why they should be used when needed, for the purpose for which they were designed.

(6) The statement that it is improper to place the Opportunity Room in the High School Building is not in accord with the best educational thought. It would certainly be humiliating to have the Opportunity Room pupils by themselves or in contact with the younger children in the elementary grades. Therefore, it is more desirable to place this opportunity group with pupils of corresponding age in the Junior-Senior High School.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

A strange statement, particularly since the Opportunity Class was once located in an old store opposite the Fire Station. And instead of being "not in accord with the best educational thought," is entirely consistent with the most up-to-date humane treatment of these pupils. Many cities and towns segregate this type of pupil that they may avoid the humiliation of being constantly surrounded by companions of a higher educational level. No town contiguous to Stoneham houses its Opportunity Room in the Senior High School. Reading and Winchester have Opportunity Rooms in Junior High School Buildings.

(7) There is not ample room in the central office for the Superintendent and the facilities he needs to carry on the work of the School Department. The Superintendent originally occupied

a corner in one of the small rooms mentioned and if a pupil or teacher or parent came for a conference it was not then possible to have privacy. Any thoughtful citizen will agree that there are many times in the day when the Superintendent needs a place for a private conference. However, if the use of the Superintendent's office as a class room would make a major contribution to the solving of the two-platoon system, it would again be assigned for class use.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The last sentence shows that the School Committee realizes the Superintendent must not usurp space much needed by the pupils. The School Committee should agree with the Survey Committee that the needs of the pupils are to be considered before the luxury of the Superintendent. In fact, many school systems locate the office of the Superintendent outside the High School Building.

The late Superintendent Stevens had his office in a little room in the old Center School, recently demolished. The Winchester Superintendent has no office in the High School Building. Here is a minor contribution by the Superintendent which will go a long way in solving a major problem.

(8) The small room located in the basement between the cooking and sewing rooms that the Survey Committee recommends for a teachers' room is certainly not satisfactory for a school the size of Stoneham Junior and Senior High School, considering the fact that we have thirty-seven teachers and supervisors and that the room would often have to be used by pupils who might be taken ill in school.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The teachers' room (originally a classroom) is so commodious that it is altogether too large for a teachers' room. Perhaps that is the reason why the school authorities are also using it for "general storage purposes."

The teachers will be delighted, we are sure, to use the cosy little bccrkroom upstairs, which was formerly used as a teachers' rest room. The room is better suited to that purpose. The present teachers' room should revert to its original use as a classroom as the present needs demand.

Here is another minor contribution to help solve the major problem of the two-platoon system.

(9) In carefully studying the recommendation to divide three large classrooms a number of serious complications came to light. (Incidentally, this plan was considered several years ago and rejected as undesirable, unhealthy, and uneconomical).

(10) If Rooms 7, 9, and 13 were to be divided as suggested, three average rooms and three small rooms would result.

(11) The light in three of the rooms thus made would not be sufficient to meet state building standards. In fact, some of the rooms would have less than half of the light which the state law-

has established as a minimum requirement. (Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Inspection, Bulletin Form B-1, page 11, part 2, section 6, paragraph 3.)

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

This statement is misleading. The bulletin refers to buildings "Hereafter erected" and was printed in February 1934. The present High School Building antedates Form B-1.

In making the necessary minor alterations at the High School the building laws will be complied with.

The lighting under the two platoon system from 3.00 o'clock on is all artificial.

The School Committee itself, while proclaiming about crowded conditions in the schools a few years back housed pupils in the vacant store across from the Fire Station, although there was ample room in several of the school buildings.

There was only one toilet seat downstairs for both pupils and teachers; the lighting was never adequate for classroom work; there was no ventilation at all in the building; besides, it was poorly heated. In addition, it exposed the children to a dangerous traffic hazard from fire department trucks and automobiles. Nor was the Department of Public Safety called in to pass judgment.

In a word — the School Committee itself transgressed the law here and unreasonably spent the taxpayers' money to do it; now when it comes to save a half million dollars of the taxpayers' money it attempts to invoke the stern letter of the law to prevent that saving.

The School Committee refrained from stating that the children in the Junior High School must work under artificial light throughout the entire building for several hours each day during the major portion of the school year.

(12) Moreover the plan of ventilation suggested would be in direct violation of the state building code, and has already been disapproved by the state inspector. (Dept. of Public Safety, Division of Inspection, Bulletin Form B-1, page 14, 15, and 16, part 2, section 6.)

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The Bulletin referred to on page 14, section 24: "Every system of ventilation must be adequate for the supply of thirty (30) cubic feet of fresh air per minute, and the removal of an equal volume of air through openings provided therefor for each occupant of class, recitation, domestic science and manual training rooms, laboratories and shops or equivalent apartments." The division of the three rooms would not prevent the suggested ventilation from being effected by windows, window vents, vents in the partition and vents in the doors or transoms. This has been done in many schools. All laws will be conformed with in making the alterations recommended by the committee.

(13) In the Stoneham Press of August 7, 1936, page 3, in

connection with the Survey Committee's report under the heading, "What Is the True Capacity of the High School?" it was stated that the Strayer-Englehardt scale which is used by the Stoneham school authorities sets a minimum figure of 15 square feet and a maximum of 18 square feet as a standard space needed for each pupil in a class room. It is important to note, however, that the Strayer-Englehardt scale further states that there should be from 200 to 250 cu. ft. of air space per pupil. This factor was entirely ignored in the claims made in the Press, yet it is actually the more important of the two requirements. The Strayer-Englehardt scale is in general use by the best educators in the United States.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The Strayer-Englehardt scale is an ideal recommended by Teachers' College theorists. In its practical application it is not mandatory to follow it. A theoretical builder, for example, may advise all the modern appliances for the home but the home owner usually contents himself with what he can afford. Of course, we all recommend that the town strive for the ideal in its school buildings but in this struggle for the best we must be practical and remain within the limits of our capacity to pay. For the technical answer to the above paragraph see appendix below.

(14) Our state law requires that each pupil shall be supplied with a minimum of 30 cu. ft. of fresh air per minute.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

Answered above (see No. 12).

(15) We believe that the amount of fresh air per pupil in the class room is important to the health of our school children.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The School Committee and Survey Committee agree on this point. Nobody could say otherwise.

(16) The Survey Committee suggests that when two or more classes are having a study hour at the same time that these classes should be combined in the large rooms for study purposes, but later in the report the Survey Committee has recommended that these large rooms which might be so used, be broken up into smaller classrooms. This seems to be inconsistent. It has long been our practice to use the large rooms for combined study groups.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

There is no inconsistency here. Rooms 7, 9 and 13 which the Survey Committee recommended be divided are not the only large rooms in the building. Disposition of study classes is a minor problem of administration in the allocation of rooms.

The problem at the High School is not lack of space or seating capacity. Rather is it a lack of rooms for recitation purposes since in no classroom, however large, can more than one recitation period be held at the same time. To divide an abnormally large classroom does not decrease the seating capacity. On the other

hand it lends the additional advantage of providing two recitation rooms where only one existed before.

(17) The Survey Committee recommends that certain rooms be used for classes whenever such rooms are vacated by classes going to special rooms. This recommendation has no effect on increasing the capacity of our building inasmuch as we have always used these rooms in this manner.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The School Committee and Survey Committee agree on this point.

(18) It appears that the Survey Committee is laboring under a serious misapprehension or is ignoring well known facts when it takes the position that a teacher is working only when teaching a class. It is absolutely unsound, as testified by educational experts, to compute a teacher's load only in terms of the number of class room assignments. Without question the teacher's responsibility for study rooms and other school work of a non-class room type should be counted when computing the teacher's load.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The Survey Committee makes no such assumption. "Pupils' hours" is an educational term evidently not understood by the School Committee. It refers to the hours actually spent in teaching. The general work of the teacher—keeping of records, reports, conference, study supervision and similar duties—is assumed as an addition to the actual teaching hours.

(19) Furthermore, in connection with the teacher load it seems quite unfair to compare conditions in Stoneham with conditions prevailing in large Boston schools. It is not so much a question of whether larger classes can be taught effectively or not but of the procedures which are used in larger classes. In schools enrolling many students, where there are of necessity a great many parallel sections in a given course, it is perfectly possible and educationally workable to run classes of thirty or more. But in a comparatively small school where larger sections can be secured only by abandoning certain worth while courses larger classes seem to be possible only at a price which ought not to be paid.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The committee was careful in its comparisons to take towns approximating Stoneham in size.

The records of the State Department in Group Two classification show that Stoneham stands fourth highest on the list as to the number of classes. There are 52 towns in this group.

Stoneham according to Principal Watson has 111 classes in the Senior High School. Winchendon has 52, Wilmington 46, Adams 59, Hudson 68, etc.

Why Stoneham should expand the number of its classes to that exceptionally high mark, at the same time clamoring for more

space, is an enigma which only the School Committee can answer. (See Stoneham Press, issue of April 24, for list of 52 towns in State Dept. of Education Group Two Classification.)

(20) The Survey Committee appears to take the position that individual attention is to be provided only to students who are backward, slow, or otherwise in arrears with their work. This, of course, is quite an unsound doctrine. There is as much reason for giving individual attention to the very able student as there is for giving individual attention to the very slow student. If such a position is accepted, it is obvious that there is going to be more difficulty in providing for individual assistance in large classes than in small. The Survey Committee's observations concerning the relation of class size to discipline seem to prove nothing at all, to be quite irrelevant, and to have practically no bearing on the issue at stake.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

An absurd interpretation of the Survey Report. Even the Superintendent states in his report for 1935, page 7 and 8, the difficulty of giving individual help under the two platoon system, and blames the two platoon system for increasing failures in the Junior High. If the single session recommendation of the Survey Committee is adopted, pupils may return in the afternoon where further individual instruction may be needed. Under the present set up they cannot do that.

(21) In the pages devoted to the curriculum the survey committee says, "It is generally admitted that pupils fall into three definite groups." Most educators today emphatically deny the validity of such classifications.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

What the Survey Report stated was

"It is generally admitted that pupils fall into three definite groups; those who are preparing for college, those who desire to follow a business course, and those who are preparing for neither a college nor a business future and who, therefore, elect a general course." Surely the School Committee does not contradict the truth of this statement. It is self evident. And in the report of the Superintendent for 1935 he himself on page 10 divides the occupations of the country into three groups. Here again the School Committee makes a statement without offering proof.

(22) The School Committee, after careful consideration, unanimously rejects the report of the Survey Committee as an unsatisfactory and impractical solution of the two platoon problem and one which would work serious detriment to the school system. In reaching this decision the School Committee has had the advice of educational experts from the Boston University School of Education and the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

The School Committee manifests its determination to continue

the evils of the two platoon system, deprive the Stoneham Junior School students of their educational rights and perpetuate the serious handicaps cited in the Superintendent's report for 1935. These are listed below. See the appendix. It is hoped the anonymous experts will appear at the town meeting and state publicly why the two platoon system is necessary.

(23) Your School Committee believes the building of an addition on the south end of the present High School Building, said addition to contain eight rooms and basement and so connected with the present building that the Junior High and Senior High Schools could function on a single session plan, is a solution of the two platoon problem. The addition would contain badly needed toilets and special rooms as well as the eight regular classrooms. Some remodeling of the basement interior of the present building would be necessary.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

This possible solution was mentioned by the Survey Committee but shown to be unnecessary. The School Committee itself turned down this proposal only a few months ago as impractical. The School Committee wanted a half million dollar building at that stage.

(24) The School Committee will insert an article in the warrant of the town meeting to be held in September requesting that a committee be appointed to report on this plan at the annual town meeting.

#### INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE'S ANSWER

Appears to be an unnecessary postponement of a simple but necessary solution to improve educational opportunity for the children of Stoneham.

The Survey Committee states that with proper educational planning and administration the present building can house 300 more pupils than are now enrolled.

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The numbered paragraphs are the School Committee's answers to the Survey Committee report and are signed by C. Frank Munger, chairman, Nellie R. Storey, Bernard M. Scully, Bertha A. Starr and George E. MacNeil.

The remaining paragraphs are the rebuttal of the Two Platoon Committee and Investigating Committee. It is signed by Frank J. Gallagher and Dr. Joseph H. Kerrigan, with C. Frank Munger dissenting; also by Dr. Fred J. Gillis, Supt. Daniel P. Hurld, John Casey and Joseph Leary of the Survey Committee.

#### APPENDIX BY INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE

##### Statement By Superintendent On Page 7, 1935 Town Report

The following is a statement by Superintendent Charles E. Varney on page 7 of the 1935 Town Report wherein he cited the disadvantages of the two-platoon system. The Superintendent's

own words are an answer to paragraph two of the School Committee's report above.

"Although most of our citizens and parents are naturally concerned with the dangers of the two-platoon system due to the release of children from school in the dark when traffic is at its height, the difficulty of preparing meals at all hours of the day, and the physical condition of the pupils due to the unnatural sequence of work and play, nevertheless other significant difficulties of an educational nature are less easily seen. Some of them are mentioned below. . . . Those of us who are close to the work of the pupils every day realize keenly the things of which pupils are being deprived and which can never be made up to them.

#### "LOSS OF TIME

"Under the two-platoon system every Junior High School pupil loses 130 hours or 27 days of class room instruction a year. In the entire three years of the Junior High School it will be seen that each pupil's loss amounts to about a half year's work. In short, he is expected to do three years' full work in two and a half years and, moreover, is forced to do it under conditions which are unnatural.

"The Senior High School day is forty-seven minutes shorter than the average for Senior High Schools in Massachusetts. In a minimum school year of 180 days this means a loss of 161 hours.

#### "PERSONAL HABITS AND CHARACTER

"More important even than the loss of time on academic work is the effect on the personal habits of our pupils. Thinking people must see that untimely hours, hastily swallowed meals, rush and confusion, and constantly altered routine cannot inculcate that regularity of habit or thoroughness of work that is important in the development of every child; nor can the school provide as fully as formerly the moral and spiritual influences needed, as long as teachers have so little opportunity for personal contact with individual pupils in the daily problems that involve honesty, reliability, self-control, and high manhood and womanhood generally.

#### "HOME WORK

"The short periods under the two-platoon naturally increase home work demands, yet it is obviously impossible for pupils to arrange a sane program which involves study, sleep, and play without one of these suffering. In the Junior High School there are only four hours a day of class work thus necessitating more home preparation. Pupils should have six hours in school and almost no home work.

#### "OTHER FACTORS

"It would be possible to go on at length pointing out specific losses which occur in connection with co-curricular activities, orchestra practice, the class athletic program, individual health in previous reports. All have been woefully handicapped by the two-platoon system."

#### ADDITIONAL ANSWER NOS. 9, 10, 11

The paragraph referred to in the Department of Public Safety, Division of Inspection, Bulletin Form B-1, page 11, part 2, section 6, begins as follows: "In buildings hereafter erected, and in existing buildings if so directed, windows shall have not less than one square foot of glass to each five (5) square feet of floor area, and the top of the windows shall be not more than eight inches (8") below the ceiling. For rooms lighted from one side only, the width of room from that side shall be not more than two and one-third times their height." Form B-1 referred to was printed February 1934. The present building in Stoneham antedates Form B-1. The statement of the School Committee is misleading.

#### ADDITIONAL ANSWER TO PARAGRAPH 13

The School Committee in this paragraph departs from the report of the Survey Committee. Its statement is also answered in paragraph 12. A more detailed reply will be presented at the town meeting. The Survey Committee in turn invites the attention of the School Committee to "Standards for Junior High School Buildings", by N. L. Engelhardt, Bureau of Publications, Teachers' College, Columbia University, New York City, 1932, where in discussing classroom ventilation is stated, page 57:

"The following are the standards of the New York Commission on Ventilation:

(a) All classrooms shall have at least 15 square feet of floor space and 200 cubic feet of air space per pupil. . . .

(b) Such ventilation shall be accomplished: (1) by mechanical means; or (2) by the window-gravity method (in rooms which will attain the results specified above).

(d) Desirable conditions may be obtained by at least three methods of ventilation, when proper design and operation are provided: (1) by plenum ventilation; (2) by local unit ventilation; (3) by window-gravity ventilation. For the average school, favorably located, window gravity ventilation seems to be the choice on grounds of comfort and economy."

And on page 58:

"j. The rating of 'air supply' will be based primarily upon the degree to which the following standards are attained, regardless of the system in use:

(1) The air that is supplied should be distributed evenly to all occupants of the rooms at a proper temperature.

(2) The rate of air movement should not be such as to create injurious drafts.

(3) The system must eliminate all objectionable odors.

(4) The system should provide air uncontaminated by dust or other foreign matter."

## Town Meeting, August 31, 1936

Agreeable to a warrant signed by Victor C. Kirmes, Justice of the Peace, August 20, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in Armory Hall in said town on Monday, August 31, 1936.

The Tellers appointed to serve on the check lists were as follows: Marie M. Burns, Harry W. Delano, May F. Dever, Bessie M. Lund, Donald J. Morrison, Henry D. Strail, who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Check lists showed that 1012 voters entered the hall.

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, James A. Munro, and the warrant read at 8.55 o'clock P. M.

Voted: To adjourn this meeting until the business of the meeting called by the Board of Selectmen had been disposed of.

At 11.36 P. M. the Moderator again called the meeting to order. No action was taken on the article in the warrant.

Adjourned at 11.37 P. M.

## Town Meeting, September 11, 1936

Agreeable to a warrant signed by the Selectmen September 3, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in Armory Hall in said town on Friday, September 11, 1936.

The Tellers appointed to serve on the check lists were as follows: Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Harry W. Delano, Donald F. Glynn, Bessie M. Lund, Donald J. Morrison, Charles H. Parsons, Henry D. Strail, who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

Check lists showed that 632 voters entered the hall.

The meeting was called to order at 8.00 o'clock P. M. and the Moderator read from the warrant the call of the meeting and Article 1.

Voted to waive reading the remaining articles of the warrant.

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$3,600.00 for laying and re-laying of water mains from the proceeds of a loan issued by vote of the Town under Article 8 of the warrant for a town meeting held March 18, 1935, or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the Town do appropriate the sum of \$3,600.00 for laying and re-laying of water mains from the proceeds of a loan issued by vote of the Town under Article 8 of the warrant for a town meeting held March 18, 1935.

Voted — To consider Articles 2 and 3 together.

Article 2. To hear the report of the Committee appointed under Article 4 of the warrant for a town meeting held May 18, 1936, to study the question of erecting an Elementary School and to act thereon.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropri-

ate a sum of money for the purpose of constructing one or more elementary schools and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant of the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act Fiscal year 1936 and authorize the appointment of a committee to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary to meet any appropriation made; or take any action relative thereto.

Mr. Ralph R. Patch for the committee appointed to study the question of erecting an Elementary School building, read the report of the committee as follows:

#### **Report of the Committee Appointed Pursuant to Vote of Town Meeting held May 18 to Study the Question of Erecting an Elementary School Building**

This committee was appointed by the Moderator on June 1. The committee started at once to study the reports of former committees who have reported on this same matter. The committee held its first meeting June 16. Mr. Ralph R. Patch was elected chairman of the committee and Mr. Charles E. Varney was elected secretary.

Although some of the members have been obliged to be away from town frequently, on account of business trips, nine meetings have been held and constant study has been given to the question before us. We had expected to continue our study for at least two months more, then present our conclusions to the citizens in one or more public meetings and solicit constructive criticisms. With these criticisms we would continue our study and make our final report to the next annual town meeting. This plan was based on the assumption that there would not be any Federal Aid available.

Late in July we were informed that applications would be received for Federal Aid in the construction of municipal public works. To qualify it was necessary to take immediate action. Your committee felt that it would be negligent in its duty to the town if it did not place the whole situation before the voters. While we are not at all sure of getting a Federal grant, the chances looked sufficiently promising to justify action.

We will say frankly that when first considered the committee was not favorably impressed with the possibilities of building a school under the P. W. A. Upon investigation we found the situation more favorable than we expected. If we should decide to build a school building under P. W. A. the Federal authorities would check plans and specifications, then call for bids. The contract would be let to the lowest bidder. P. W. A. would have its own inspector on the job. The cost of building would be from

five to ten per cent more than if not built under P. W. A., according to information given us by the State Director of the P. W. A. and by architects who have built buildings under both conditions. On the other hand, it seems to be agreed that better buildings are built under the closer supervision and the Federal Government contributes forty-five per cent of the cost of the project, including any necessary land, grading and architect fees, which could not be included in former years.

Our report is not as complete as we would like to have it, but we believe we have sufficient information to enable the voters to reach a sound conclusion on this subject of elementary schools.

We have tried to develop a plan to take care of the elementary school situation for the town as a whole for some years to come. In developing such a plan we have had to make some guesses as to future building developments. We appreciate the dangers in such estimates, but we believe a complete plan based on present facts, plus some estimates of future developments, is much better than no plan at all.

While our committee was limited to the consideration of elementary schools we have given thought to how our recommendations might affect the entire school system of the town.

We know that no plan can be developed by anyone which will be one hundred per cent satisfactory to all the citizens. We know that no plan can be one hundred per cent satisfactory even to a committee of five. But we also know that it will be much better for the town if it goes ahead unitedly on some good plan than if action is further delayed because some minor points may not seem to be satisfactory to everyone. For this reason the committee-members have cast aside individual ideas which were not good enough to convince the balance of the committee and present this unanimous report, representing what they consider the best thoughts advanced by various individual members. We are hopeful that the voters will approach the problem from the same point of view.

The committee has arrived at the following conclusions:

1. That school buildings for the first six grades should be located as near as is practical to the homes of the children attending those grades.
2. That better elementary school facilities are needed.
3. That the south part of the town has most need for additional facilities.
4. That the east part of the town comes next in need for additional facilities.
5. That the Summer Street lot, now owned by the town is the best location for an elementary school building for the south part of the town.
6. That near Spring Street, about half way from the railroad track on Pleasant Street to the Wakefield line is the best location

for an elementary school building for the east part of the town.

7. We do not at this time attempt to settle the definite location of elementary schools in other sections of the town. We hope however, to have certain suggestions to present at the next annual town meeting. We feel that the North School should be eliminated within the next few years and a new school built in the North School district.

#### ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FACILITIES ARE NEEDED

The North, East, South and Emerson Schools now have room to house the children in the first four grades, but do not have room for any fifth and sixth grade pupils. The Emerson School is in excellent physical condition. The North and East Schools are in fairly good physical condition considering the many years they have been in use. The South School is badly in need of repairs.

We are informed that the School Committee has not spent the money necessary to keep the South School in good condition because the citizens have more than once expressed a desire to replace this building.

It has been pointed out that with the decline in our birth rate during the last few years we may not need additional facilities for some time. The committee finds a change in the trend of the birth rate during the recent months.

For the first six months of the last two years the births to Stoneham residents have been:

First six months, 1935 — 70; 1936 — 89. This shows an increase of 27%.

For non-residents:

First six months, 1935 — 97; 1936 — 113. This shows an increase of 16.5%.

While we appreciate the dangers in predicting the birth rate on these limited data, we believe that as more houses are built in Stoneham and as economic conditions improve we will see a continued increase in the elementary school population.

In view of the very definite prospect of a considerable increase in building costs, and in view of the favorable financial situation of our town, we believe that now is the best time to provide better facilities than our very old elementary schools offer and that we should now provide for the growth in school population of the next few years.

#### THE SOUTH PART OF THE TOWN HAS MOST NEED FOR SCHOOL BUILDING

We find that the center of the school population of the first six grades is to the south of Central Square. This information was obtained by counting the number of pupils in each grade in each section of the town during the last school year. The number in each grade will vary from year to year in the various sections, but the south part of the town has had the heavy school population for some years.

The accompanying chart shows the number of pupils in the North, East and South Schools during the last six years since the opening of the Emerson School in December 1930.

In addition to the number shown above for the South School, seventy-two pupils in the first four grades who should normally attend the South School, are now in the Emerson School because of lack of room in the South School.

#### SUMMER STREET LOT A SUITABLE LOCATION

It is 0.4 mile from the Summer Street lot to Central Square, 0.5 mile from the Summer Street lot to South Street, 0.4 mile from the corner of Franklin and Summer Streets and 0.5 mile from this lot to the Winchester line on Marble Street.

One-half of the school children in the first six grades live within one-half mile of this lot.

The committee recommends the building of an eight room building on the so-called Summer Street lot, now owned by the town and a six-room building near Spring Street, about half way from the railroad tracks on Pleasant Street to the Wakefield line.

We think the building on Summer Street should be substantially as shown on plans submitted to the W. P. A. last year. This has four standard sized class rooms on the first floor, four standard sized class rooms on the second floor, service rooms and a large exercise room in the basement. It can be built at an outside cost of one hundred thousand dollars.

It is not a function of this committee to decide for the school committee how school facilities should be used. We can point out however, the possibility of dividing the large exercise room into three temporary class rooms that would make very satisfactory rooms if the height of the basement should be increased perhaps a foot over that shown on the plans submitted. Also, we can point out that such temporary use of these rooms would make possible the discontinuance of the use of the rooms, on the top floor at least, of the Dean School. When further facilities are provided this exercise room should revert to its intended use, as such exercise rooms seem to be considered a necessary part of present day facilities.

If this be presented without substantial modification it will constitute the reviving of a petition on which favorable action has once been taken by the Federal Government and will have a better chance of acceptance than if we submit it as a new project.

If, in addition to this building a six room building be provided for the east section of the town, at a total cost not to exceed sixty thousand dollars, the present South, East and Dean Schools could be abolished. The temporary class rooms which could be made in the exercise rooms of these buildings would make these buildings adequate for some expansion in case of need.

If we are successful in obtaining a Federal grant the total cost to the town for the two buildings would be about eighty-eight

thousand dollars.

This could be covered with a bond issue, running ten, fifteen or twenty years. At present the interest on ten year bonds would be one and three-quarters per cent, on fifteen year bonds two per cent and on twenty year bonds two and a quarter per cent. This would make the average annual cost for principal and interest under each plan approximately as follows: Ten year bonds \$9,650 per year for ten years; fifteen year bonds \$6,800.00 per year for fifteen years; twenty year bonds \$5,450 per year for twenty years.

Against this expense we would have considerable savings. It now costs less to heat the Emerson School than the South School, less than half the size of the Emerson. We estimate it would not cost any more to heat a new eight room building with oil than it now costs to heat the old South School with the necessary anthracite coal. The Dean School now has seven furnaces, the South School three and the East School three. In place of these thirteen antiquated heating plants we would have two modern heating plants. We let you make your own guess as to the saving in fuel. There would be a saving in janitor service as two janitors would be required against three now. There would be a saving in repair bills for some years as new buildings would not require much in the way of repairs. The old buildings would require considerable sums spent in repairs over the next ten years.

This report is submitted as a report of progress so that the committee will be continued to give any further consideration to this subject which may be required before the annual town meeting.

RALPH R. PATCH.  
HERBERT H. RICHARDSON.  
PATRICK J. CALLAHAN.  
ROBERT V. KLEINSCHMIDT.  
CHARLES E. VARNEY.

It was then voted — That, for the purpose of constructing an eight room elementary school and furnishings therefor on the Summer Street lot owned by the Town and securing any further necessary land and to enable the town to secure the benefits of the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act fiscal year 1936, there be raised and appropriated a sum not exceeding \$55,000.00, and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$55,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefore, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 as amended by Chapter 414, Acts of 1936, said bonds or notes to be payable in twenty (20) years, at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board. All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construc-

tion thereof (including preliminary expenses), and any balance thereof shall be applied to payment of the loan herein authorized. The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act, fiscal year 1936, and it was further voted that a committee of five be appointed and that said committee is hereby authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable Federal regulations; and said committee, together with the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer, are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for making said loan and for constructing said project.

Unanimous vote.

It was also voted — That, for the purpose of constructing a six room elementary school and furnishings therefor and securing land suitable for its location and to enable the town to secure the benefits of the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act fiscal year 1936, there be raised and appropriated a sum not exceeding \$33,000 and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of \$33,000.00 and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 as amended by Chapter 414, Acts of 1936, said bonds or notes to be payable in twenty (20) years at such term and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board. All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof, (including preliminary expenses), and any balance thereof shall be applied to payment of the loan herein authorized. The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act, fiscal year 1936, and it was further voted that a committee of five be appointed and that said committee is hereby authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable Federal regulations; and said committee, together with the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer, are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for making said loan and for constructing said project.

Unanimous vote.

It was also voted:That for the purpose of constructing a six room elementary school and furnishings therefor and securing land suitable for its location and to enable the town to secure the ben-

efits of the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act fiscal year 1936, there be raised and appropriated a sum not exceeding thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000.00), and the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of thirty-three thousand dollars (\$33,000.00), and to issue bonds or notes of the town therefor, under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 404 of the Acts of 1935 as amended by Chapter 414, Acts of 1936, said bonds or notes to be payable in twenty (20) years at such terms and maximum rate of interest as may be fixed by the Emergency Finance Board. All moneys received by way of grant from the Federal Government on account of this project shall be applied first to meet the cost of construction thereof (including preliminary expenses), and any balance thereof shall be applied to payment of the loan herein authorized. The Selectmen are hereby authorized and directed to accept on behalf of the town, for use in carrying out such project, a Federal grant of money pursuant to the provisions relating to the public works administration contained in the first deficiency appropriation act, fiscal year 1936, and it was further moved that a committee of five be appointed and that said committee is hereby authorized to proceed with the construction of said project and enter into all necessary and proper contracts and agreements in respect thereto, all subject to applicable Federal regulations; and said committee, together with the Selectmen and the Town Treasurer, are authorized to do all other acts and things necessary or convenient for making said loan and for constructing said project.

Unanimous vote.

Voted — That the committee appointed at the Town Meeting held May 18, 1936, to study the question of erecting an elementary school building be continued until the annual town meeting for the year 1937.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to authorize the appointment of a committee of five to look into the matter of an addition to the High School building as recommended by the School Committee, said committee to report at a future town meeting or do anything in relation thereto.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 5 — To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the retail business district as heretofore defined and set forth so as to include in the retail business district the following described area to be used for restaurant purposes only: Beginning at a point on the Easterly side of Oak Street 623 feet Northerly from land formerly of Sternfeld, later Flynn, thence running Northerly slightly West along the East side of said Oak Street 200 feet, thence Easterly slightly North by land now or formerly of Joseph Butler 200 feet, thence

Southeasterly by land of said Butler on a line parallel to and 200 feet East of the Easterly side of Oak Street, a distance of 200 feet, thence Westerly slightly South on a line parallel to and 200 feet South of the second described line to the point of beginning.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 6. To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the Retail Business District as heretofore defined and set forth, so as to include in the Retail Business District the following described area: Beginning at a point at the Northeasterly corner of Main Street and Collincote Street, thence the line runs Northerly by and with said Main Street, 125 1-3 feet to a stake at land of Walter S. Perry, formerly of Benjamin F. Perry; thence Easterly by said Perry land 267 feet to a stake at land of Mabel F. Edson and Amy V. Edson; thence Southerly by said last named land 125 1-3 feet to said Collincote Street; thence Westerly by and with said Collincote Street 261 feet to the bound first mentioned.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 7. To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the General Business District as heretofore defined and set forth, so as to include in the General Business District the following described area: Beginning at a point at the Northeasterly corner of Main Street and Collincote Street, thence the line runs Northerly by and with said Main Street, 125 1-3 feet to a stake at land of Walter S. Perry, formerly of Benjamin F. Perry; thence Easterly by said Perry land 267 feet to a stake at land of Mabel F. Edson and Amy V. Edson; thence Southerly by said last named land 125 1-3 feet to said Collincote Street; thence Westerly by and with said Collincote Street; 261 feet to the bound first mentioned.

Voted — That the subject matter of this article be indefinitely postponed.

Article 8. To see if the town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding at the end of Section 7a of Article 1 "Location of Automobile Services" the following excepted area; Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of Main and Gerry Streets, and running Easterly by said Gerry Street 41 feet, thence Southerly by land now or formerly of Tulloch 47 feet, thence Easterly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 1 foot, thence Southerly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 43.5 feet, thence Westerly by land now or formerly of the heirs of Georgianna A. Thompson to Main Street, 42 feet, thence by said Main Street, 90.5 feet to the beginning.

Voted — That the town do amend the Zoning By-Law by adding at the end of Section 7a of Article 1 "Location of Automobile Services", the following excepted area: Beginning at the South-

easterly corner of Main and Gerry Streets, and running Easterly by said Gerry Street 41 feet, thence Southerly by land now or formerly of Tulloch 47 feet, thence Easterly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 1 foot, thence Southerly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 43.5 feet, thence Westerly by land now or formerly of the heirs of Georgianna A. Thompson to Main Street, 42 feet, thence by said Main Street, 90.5 feet to the beginning.

Unanimous vote.

Adjourned at 9.32 P. M.

#### BUILDING COMMITTEE APPOINTED UNDER ARTICLE 3

S. Pender Humphrey, Chairman; Patrick J. Callahan, Edward M. Noonan, Charles E. Varney, Albert J. Blackburn.

#### State Primary, Tuesday, September 15, 1936

Agreeable to a Warrant signed by the Selectmen, September 1, 1936, the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in primaries met in Armory Hall in said town, Tuesday, the fifteenth day of September, 1936, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

The meeting was called to order by Everett C. Hunt, Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and the Warrant read.

The Tellers appointed by the Selectmen as required by law were sworn by the Town Clerk, and assigned to duty as follows:

##### BALLOT CLERKS

*Republicans* — Donald J. Morrison, Charles H. Parsons.

*Democrats* — Harry W. Delano, Albert D. Dempsey.

##### TELLERS

*Republicans* — Bessie M. Lund, Bertha C. Moulton, Henry D. Strail, Arthur Woodworth, Alice R. Worthen.

*Democrats* — Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Elizabeth G. Devlin, Margaret M. Hanright, Mary A. McDonough.

##### COUNTERS

*Republicans* — Annie S. Kinsley, Gordon F. May, Nellie R. Storey, Paul K. Storey.

*Democrats* — Catherine W. Ahern, Nellie A. Dannahy, Ellen E. Hogan, Mary E. Sullivan.

Four boxes said to contain 1352 Democratic official ballots and 4350 Republican official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks who gave a receipt for the same.

The ballot boxes were opened, examined, the dials set at 0, locked and the keys given in charge of the Chairman and the polls declared open to receive ballots.

At eight o'clock in the evening the polls were declared closed, at which time the ballot box registered 1354 as ascertained by the Town Clerk.

The check lists at the gates had the names of 1354 persons checked as having received ballots, 1124 Republicans and 230 Democrats.

The number of ballots taken from the ballot boxes as counted by the Chairman was 1354; 1124 Republican and 230 Democratic.

The number of unused ballots returned to the Town Clerk was 4348; 3226 Republican and 1122 Democratic.

All the Republican ballots cast, having been sorted and counted, the tally sheets signed by the Tellers, the blocks of ballots sealed, the total tally sheet proved and signed in accordance with the law, declaration of the same was made as follows:

Ballots cast .....	1124
GOVERNOR	
John W. Haigis, 24 Church Street, Greenfield .....	1069
William H. McMasters, Cambridge .....	1
Thomas C. O'Brine, 76 Mapleton Street, Boston .....	1
Blank .....	53
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	
Leverett Saltcnstall, 240 Chestnut Hill Road, Newton .....	1055
Blank .....	69
SECRETARY	
Frederic W. Cook, 75 Benton Road, Somerville .....	1029
Blank .....	95
TREASURER	
William E. Hurley, 42 Wheatland Avenue, Boston .....	757
William G. Andrew, 472 Cambridge Street, Cambridge .....	84
Fred Jefferson Burrell, 41 Washington Street, Medford .....	212
Blank .....	71
AUDITOR	
Richard Darby, 18 Gilmore Street, Everett .....	217
Russell A. Wood, 9 Whittier Street, Cambridge .....	737
Blank .....	170
ATTORNEY GENERAL	
Felix Forte, 78 Belmont Street, Somerville .....	973
Blank .....	151
SENATOR IN CONGRESS	
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., 275 Hale Street, Beverly .....	978
Alonzo B. Cook, 4 Bulfinch Place, Boston .....	78
Guy M. Gray, 15 Russell Street, Greenfield .....	14
Thomas C. O'Brien, 76 Mapleton Street, Boston .....	1
Blank .....	53
CONGRESSMAN — FIFTH DISTRICT	
John T. Kevin, Jr., 474 Haverhill Street, Reading .....	70
Wilbur J. McCrady, 88 Washington Street, Lowell .....	55
Frank L. Roberts, 5 Lodge Road, Belmont .....	40
Edith Nourse Rogers, 444 Andover Street, Lowell .....	920
Blank .....	39
COUNCILLOR — SIXTH DISTRICT	
Edward T. Bailey, 462 Chelmsford Street, Lowell .....	131
George H. Bailey, 172 Sheridan Avenue, Medford .....	66
Joseph George Bates, 62 Mt. Vernon Street, Malden .....	134

Frederick E. Bean, 69 Playstead Road, Medford .....	168
Richard E. Bourdon, 347 Bedford Street, Lexington .....	36
Chester Brown, 95 Jefferson Avenue, Everett .....	23
Eugene A. F. Burtnett, 39 Ware Street, Somerville .....	180
James G. Harris, 90 Wyman Street, Medford .....	102
Charles H. LeDuc, 299 Shaw Street, Lowell .....	18
Blank .....	266
SENATOR — SEVENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT	
Joseph R. Cotton, 123 Marrett Road, Lexington .....	989
Joseph La Belle, 97 Pleasant Street, Lowell .....	41
Blank .....	94
REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT	
TWENTY-SECOND MIDDLESEX DISTRICT	
Wallace E. Bacheller, 660 Main Street, Melrose .....	289
Mary Livermore Barrows, 20 W. Emerson Street, Melrose ....	651
Walter W. Bruce, 260 Wyoming Avenue West, Melrose .....	296
Joseph A. Milano, 115 Grove Street, Melrose .....	722
Blank .....	290
REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Harry R. Gardner, 18 Fountain Street, Medford .....	150
Loring P. Jordan, 12 Church Street, Wakefield .....	805
Blank .....	169
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Harold R. Acres, 5 Field Street, Malden .....	217
John A. Anderson, 9 Spring Street, Malden .....	209
Nathaniel I. Bowditch, Edmonds Road, Framingham .....	503
Walter B. French, 55 Varnum Street, Lowell .....	115
William R. Griffin, 12 Nesmith Street, Lowell .....	54
Walter C. Wardwell, 79 Oxford Street, Cambridge .....	653
Blank .....	497
COUNTY TREASURER — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Charles E. Hatfield, 108 Cherry Street, Newton .....	846
William John Shield, 50 Hume Avenue, Medford .....	122
Blank .....	156
CLERK OF COURTS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY (To fill vacancy)	
Frederick C. Bean, 26 Bridge Street, Chelmsford .....	389
George H. Brown, 2 Melton Street, Lowell .....	118
Arthur F. Carver, 216 Elm Street, Cambridge .....	37
John R. MacKinnon, 309 Waverley Avenue, Watertown .....	363
Archie J. MacNicholl, 262 School Street, Somerville .....	18
Ralph Smith, 134 Liberty Street, Lowell .....	32
Blank .....	167
All the Democratic ballots cast, having been sorted and counted, the tally sheets signed by the Tellers, the blocks of ballots sealed, the total tally sheet proved and signed in accordance with the law, declaration of the same was made as follows:	
Ballots cast .....	230

GOVERNOR	
Charles F. Hurley, 57 Fresh Pond Lane, Cambridge .....	191
William H. McMasters, Cambridge .....	8
Blank .....	31
LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR	
Philip J. Philbin, 23 Berlin Street, Clinton .....	71
Thomas F. Galvin, 28 Pearl Street, Lawrence .....	43
Francis E. Kelly, 24 Topliff Street, Boston .....	83
Thomas C. O'Brien .....	1
Blank .....	32
SECRETARY	
Joseph Santosuoso, 60 School Street, Boston .....	71
William J. Ahearne, 28 Baker Street, Lynn .....	12
John J. Buckley, 59 Aquavia Road, Medford .....	51
John D. O'Brien, 68 Decatur Street, Boston .....	25
Edward W. O'Hearn, 2 Centerville Park, Boston .....	14
William F. Sullivan, 28 Arborough Road, Boston .....	15
Blank .....	42
TREASURER	
James C. Scanlan, 25 Munroe Street, Somerville .....	95
James M. Hurley, 131 Pleasant Street, Marlborough .....	98
Blank .....	37
AUDITOR	
Thomas H. Buckley, 198 Centre Avenue, Abington .....	146
Leo D. Walsh, 1 Plummer Place, Boston .....	41
Blank .....	43
ATTORNEY GENERAL	
Paul A. Dever, 86 Buckingham Street, Cambridge .....	184
John Kelly, Stoneham .....	1
Blank .....	45
SENATOR IN CONGRESS	
James M. Curley, 350 Jamaicaway, Boston .....	125
Robert E. Greenwood, 33 Mechanic Street, Fitchburg .....	58
Thomas O'Brien .....	26
James O'Brien .....	1
Blank .....	20
CONGRESSMAN — FIFTH DISTRICT	
Daniel J. Coughlin, 400 Stevens Street, Lowell .....	120
Arthur F. Grenier, 20 Alberta Terrace, Cambridge .....	16
Henry C. Rowland, 67 Pleasant Street, Arlington .....	35
McCrady .....	1
Wilbur McCrady .....	2
William J. O'Grady .....	3
Thomas C. O'Brien .....	1
Blank .....	52
COUNCILLOR — SIXTH DISTRICT	
James J. Brennan, 10 Putnam Street, Somerville .....	97
Edward J. Coughlin, 30½ Hanson Street, Somerville .....	11

Richard J. Donohoe, 284 Beacon Street, Lowell .....	6
Manuel Gomes, 284 Perry Street, Lowell .....	1
Edward J. Griffin, 71 Swan Street, Everett .....	9
James E. Lamb, 397 Broadway Street, Lowell .....	4
John J. Murphy, 21 Highland Avenue, Somerville .....	10
Edward H. O'Connor, 63 Clare Street, Lowell .....	6
John J. O'Neil, 9 Phillips Street, Lowell .....	10
Robert P. O'Rourke, 34 Fiske Avenue, Somerville .....	14
Blank .....	62

**SENATOR — SEVENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT**

Raymond Brennan, 9 Third Street, Lowell .....	43
John W. Buey, 40 Whipple Street, Lowell .....	2
Thomas J. Carlin, 19 Beech Street, Lowell .....	8
Walter J. Cleary, 47 Swift Street, Lowell .....	48
William D. Dacey, 176 Andover Street, Lowell .....	19
Richard T. O'Brien, 58 Willow Street, Lowell .....	17
James T. Sullivan, 57 Pond Street, Lowell .....	29
Thomas C. O'Brien, 76 Mapleton Street, Boston .....	3
Blank .....	61

**REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT**

**TWENTY-SECOND MIDDLESEX DISTRICT**

Clarence E. McIntyre, 8 Highland Avenue, Stoneham .....	166
Frank T. Keeler, 23 Brazel Street, Melrose .....	2
Joseph Milano, Melrose .....	1
John Kelly, Stoneham .....	2
James O'Grady .....	1
Blank .....	288

**REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

Francis E. Burke, 88 Bedford Street, Lexington .....	40
John J. Butler, 6 Bartley Street, Wakefield .....	70
Robert J. Curran, 28 Manet Road, Newton .....	3
George F. Haggerty, 15 Rhodora Street, Lowell .....	6
Florence C. Ramsey, 328A Summer Street, Somerville .....	4
James H. Riley, 155 Methuen Street, Lowell .....	12
Joseph B. Spillane, 47 Munroe Street, Somerville .....	14
Charles Otis Sullivan, 404 Hovey Street, Lowell .....	12
Blank .....	69

**COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

Edward J. Barrett, 74 Newton Street, Somerville .....	19
William P. Bennett, 151 Hudson Street, Somerville .....	9
James M. Canney, 100 Fourth Street, Cambridge .....	6
Michael De Luca, 36 Walker Street, Cambridge .....	1
Joseph B. Doherty, 39 Villa Avenue, Everett .....	49
Francis D. Donahue, 51 Gov. Winthrop Road, Somerville .....	12
John J. Donoghue, 148 Summer Street, Somerville .....	7
Howard W. Fitzpatrick, 491 Pleasant Street, Malden .....	77
William R. Griffin, 12 Nesmith Street, Lowell .....	3
Edward L. Harley, 46 Crosby Street, Lowell .....	11

William C. Harrington, 15 By Street, Lowell .....	5
Edmund S. Haverty, 2 Russell Street, Waltham .....	2
Edward J. Lane, 17A Harrison Street, Somerville .....	4
Luke A. Manning, 145 Gray Street, Arlington .....	15
Jeremiah F. Murphy, 45 Enfield Road, Winthrop .....	15
Thomas Murray, 85A Franklin Street, Somerville .....	3
Edward A. Rose, 229 Powder House Blvd., Somerville .....	22
Philip A. Sheridan, 11 Russell Terrace, Arlington .....	10
John J. Shine, 185 Holworthy Street, Cambridge .....	15
Glenn J. Steeves, 31 Cameron Avenue, Cambridge .....	4
John A. Sweeney, 8 Essex Street, Cambridge .....	12
Joseph Paul Talarico, 32 May Street, Cambridge .....	5
Blank .....	154

**COUNTY TREASURER — MIDDLESEX COUNTY**

John J. Bray, Jr., 49 Linwood Street, Medford .....	50
Cornelius P. Cronin, 45 Fresh Pond Parkway, Cambridge ....	22
John J. Devine, 47 Houghton Street, Somerville .....	10
James Patrick Dolan, 69 Fulton Street, Lowell .....	23
James H. Duggan, 23 Kingston Street, Somerville .....	8
Thomas F. Mackey, 52 Madison Street, Somerville .....	37
Henry F. Sullivan, 16 Dutton Street, Lowell .....	20
Blank .....	60

**CLERK OF COURTS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY (To fill vacancy)**

John J. Breen, 83 Beacon Street, Somerville .....	24
John J. Brennan, 39 Cutter Street, Somerville .....	60
James E. Burns, 28 Thorpe Street, Somerville .....	10
John B. Carr, 67 Lowell Street, Somerville .....	7
Robert E. Coughlin, 18 Bleachery Street, Lowell .....	20
John A. Crowley, 106 Beacon Street, Lowell .....	7
Edward L. Ford, 390 Broadway, Cambridge .....	13
Francis J. Greeley, 57 Dimick Street, Somerville .....	7
Stephen A. Murphy, 7 Hildreth Street, Marlborough .....	15
Blank .....	67

**State Election, Tuesday, November 3, 1936**

Agreeable to the foregoing warrant the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs met in Armory Hall in said town Tuesday, the third day of November, 1936, at six o'clock in the forenoon.

The meeting was called to order by Everett C. Hunt, Chairman of the Selectmen and the warrant read.

The Tellers appointed by the Selectmen as required by law were sworn by the Town Clerk and assigned to duty as follows:

**BALLOT CLERKS**

*Republicans* — Donald J. Morrison, Joseph Thompson.

*Democrats* — Harry W. Delano, James T. Mahoney.

**TELLERS**

*Republicans* — Carrie E. Bancroft, Clyde R. Dodge, Bessie M.

Lund, Gordon F. May, Charles H. Parsons, Henry D. Strail, Alice Worthen.

*Democrats* — Helen M. Barry, Marie M. Burns, Elizabeth Devlin, Margaret M. Hanright, Mary A. McDonough, John F. Murphy, Bernard M. Scully.

Seven boxes said to contain 7,016 official ballots were delivered to the Ballot Clerks who gave a receipt for the same.

The ballot boxes were opened, examined, the dials set at 0, locked and the keys given in charge of the chairman and the polls declared open to receive ballots.

The chairman appointed the following to serve as Tellers to assort and count the ballots; who were sworn by the Town Clerk.

*Republicans* — Beulah Anderson, Barbara Babin, Charles V. Blackburn, Margaret Butler, Elsie T. Clark, John F. Fallon, Jr., Harry S. Ford, Helen M. French, Lillian Gorham, Alwynne C. Howes, Edith M. Hume, Annie S. Kinsley, Elizabeth G. McGowen, Esther P. Mirick, Bertha C. Moulton, William N. Rogers, Leroy E. Ross, Faith E. Stocks, Nellie R. Storey, Ethel L. Tucker, Hattie E. Tucker, Lillian B. Wainright, Kenneth C. Wardwell, Arthur H. Woodworth.

*Democrats* — Catherine Ahern, Annie L. Cody, Arline E. Cogan, Nellie A. Dannahy, Alonzo Dempsey, Mary A. Dever, Anna L. Doherty, Katherine A. English, Mary A. K. Hamill, George H. Hansell, Ellen E. Hogan, Laurence J. Houghton, Irene L. Hulme, Agnes N. Kelly, Emma A. Kelly, Sadie M. McGah, Ernest F. O'Brien, Elizabeth Reynolds, Hattie A. Sheridan, Margaret E. Simpkins, Mary E. Sullivan, John F. Surrette, Mary E. Thiesfeldt, Florence E. Tole.

The Tellers appointed to assort and count the ballots were divided into groups of four, two Republicans and two Democrats in each group.

By unanimous consent of the Chairman and Town Clerk, the ballot boxes were opened at seven o'clock in the forenoon and ballots taken therefrom for the purpose of counting.

At eight o'clock in the evening the polls were declared closed at which time ballot box No. 1 registered 2555 and ballot box No. 2 registered 2587 as ascertained by the Town Clerk.

The check lists at the gates had the names of 5143 persons checked as having received ballots.

The check lists at the ballot boxes had the names of 5143 persons checked as having voted.

The number of ballots taken from the ballot boxes as counted by the Chairman was 5141.

The number of ballots returned to the Town Clerk was 1875.

All of the ballots cast having been counted, the blocks of ballots sealed, the tally sheets signed by the Tellers, tabulated, the total tally sheet signed by the Chairman, declaration of the same was made as follows:

Ballots cast ..... 5141

ELECTORS OF PRESIDENT AND VICE PRESIDENT

Aiken and Teichert, Socialist Labor Party .....	2
Browder and Ford, Communist Party .....	1
Colvin and Watson, Prohibition .....	2
Landon and Knox, Republican .....	3041
Lemke and O'Brien, The Union Party .....	249
Roosevelt and Garner, Democratic .....	1715
Thomas and Nelson, Socialist Party .....	9
Blank .....	122

GOVERNOR

Fred G. Bushold of Lawrence (U-C-T) .....	40
Alfred H. Evans of Northfield (P) .....	12
John W. Haigis of Greenfield (R) .....	3126
Horace I. Hillis of Saugus (SL) .....	6
Otis Archer Hood of Boston (C) .....	5
Charles F. Hurley of Cambridge (D) .....	1711
Alfred Baker Lewis of Cambridge (S) .....	17
William H. McMasters of Cambridge (TUP) .....	118
Blank .....	106

LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

.Henning A. Blomen of Cambridge (SL) .....	15
Freeman W. Follett of Haverhill (P) .....	12
Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield (S) .....	14
Francis E. Kelly of Boston (D) .....	1687
Leverett Saltonstall of Newton (R) .....	3207
Paul C. Wicks of Greenfield (C) .....	7
Blank .....	199

SECRETARY

Frederic W. Cook of Somerville (R) .....	3349
Ralph Dow of New Bedford (S) .....	20
George L. McGlynn of Springfield (SL) .....	16
Mary E. Moore of Boston (C) .....	9
Joseph Santosuoso of Boston (D) .....	1486
Blank .....	261

TREASURER

Thomas Gilmartin of Boston (SL) .....	12
Mabelle M. Groves of Newton (P) .....	18
Harold J. Hatfield of Belmont (IP) .....	29
Eva Hoffman of Boston (C) .....	6
James M. Hurley of Marlborough (D) .....	1514
William E. Hurley of Boston (R) .....	3357
Sylvester J. McBride of Watertown (S) .....	12
Blank .....	193

AUDITOR

Lyman M. Aldrich of Worcester (P) .....	15
Thomas H. Buckley of Abington (D) .....	1703
Richard Darby of Everett (I) .....	28

Elizabeth Donovan of North Brookfield (S) .....	22
Alfred Haase of Fitchburg (C) .....	5
Walter J. Hogan of Springfield (SL) .....	8
Russell A. Wood of Cambridge (R) .....	3089
Blank .....	271

#### ATTORNEY GENERAL

Morris Berzon of Everett (S) .....	12
Paul A. Dever of Cambridge (D) .....	1835
Felix Forte of Somerville (R) .....	3025
George F. Hogan of Nahant (P) .....	17
Fred E. Oelcher of Peabody (SL) .....	4
Michael Tuysuzian of Chelsea (C) .....	13
Blank .....	235

#### SENATOR IN CONGRESS

Alonzo B. Cook of Boston (T-P-E) .....	33
Albert Sprague Coolidge of Cambridge (S) .....	13
James M. Curley of Boston (D) .....	1458
Ernest L. Dodge of Beverly (SL) .....	9
Charles Flaherty of Boston (C) .....	3
Guy M. Gray of Greenfield (T-SJ) .....	7
Moses H. Gulesian of Newton (TP) .....	14
Henry Cabot Lodge, Jr., of Beverly (R) .....	3202
Wilbur D. Moon of Lynn (P) .....	17
Thomas C. O'Brien of Boston (TUP) .....	263
Blank .....	122

#### CONGRESSMAN — FIFTH DISTRICT

Daniel J. Coughlin of Lowell (D) .....	1360
John T. Kevin, Jr., of Reading (I) .....	103
Edith Nourse Rogers of Lowell (R) .....	3438
Wilbur J. McCrady .....	6
Blank .....	234

#### COUNCILLOR — SIXTH DISTRICT

James J. Brennan of Somerville (D) .....	1597
Eugene A. F. Burtnett of Somerville (R) .....	3090
Kenneth W. Frederick of Malden (I) .....	72
Edward J. Robinson of Somerville (I) .....	32
Blank .....	350

#### SENATOR — SEVENTH MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

Walter J. Cleary of Lowell (D) .....	1652
Joseph R. Cotton of Lexington (R) .....	3175
Blank .....	314

#### REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT

##### TWENTY-SECOND MIDDLESEX DISTRICT

Mary Livermore Barrows of Melrose (R) .....	2459
William C. Gibbons of Stoneham (I) .....	1211
Frank T. Keeler, Jr., of Melrose (D) .....	758
Clarence E. McIntyre of Stoneham (D) .....	1333
Joseph A. Milano of Melrose (R) .....	2634

Blank .....	1887
REGISTER OF PROBATE AND INSOLVENCY — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Francis E. Burke of Lexington (D) .....	1554
Loring P. Jordan of Wakefield (R) .....	3165
Eileen O'Connor Lane of Newton (S) .....	47
Blank .....	375
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Nathaniel I. Bowditch of Framingham (R) .....	2667
Robert Butler of Cambridge (S) .....	45
Howard W. Fitzpatrick of Malden (D) .....	1569
Angelo Massiello of Everett (S) .....	24
Edward A. Rose of Somerville (D) .....	1155
Walter C. Wardwell of Cambridge (R) .....	2867
Blank .....	1955
COUNTY TREASURER — MIDDLESEX COUNTY	
Mary Eubanks of Cambridge (S) .....	40
Charles E. Hatfield of Newton (R) .....	3118
Thomas F. Mackey of Somerville (D) .....	1610
Blank .....	373
CLERK OF COURTS — MIDDLESEX COUNTY (To fill vacancy)	
Edward L. Ford of Cambridge (D) .....	1637
John R. McKinnon of Watertown (R) .....	3086
V. Philip Torigian of Cambridge (S) .....	51
Blank .....	367
1. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages (whiskey, rum, gin, malt beverages, wines and all other alcoholic beverages) ?	
YES .....	1322
NO .....	3233
Blank .....	586
2. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of wines and malt beverages (wines and beer, ale and all other malt beverages) ?	
YES .....	1342
NO .....	3092
Blank .....	707
3. Shall licenses be granted in this city (or town) for the sale therein of all alcoholic beverages in packages, so called, not to be drunk on the premises ?	
YES .....	1666
NO .....	2871
Blank .....	604
"Shall sections twenty-six to thirty-one H, inclusive, of chapter thirty-two of the General Laws, inserted therein by section one of an act of the general court passed in the current year entitled 'An Act providing for Contributory Retirement Systems for Cities and Towns that may be Accepted by Them, and making Certain Other Changes in the Laws Relative to Retirement Systems', enable-	

ling cities and towns which accept it to establish contributory retirement systems for their employees, be accepted?"

YES .....	2201
NO .....	1127
Blank .....	1813

QUESTION OF PUBLIC POLICY

22ND MIDDLESEX REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT

"Shall the Representatives in the General Court from this district be instructed to vote in favor of amending the State constitution for the purpose of limiting the amount of taxes, for all purposes, which may be legally levied against any real estate within the Commonwealth to a sum not exceeding \$25.00 for each one thousand dollars of assessed valuation?"

YES .....	2653
NO .....	980
Blank .....	1508

Canvass of Votes for Representatives

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX

CITY OF MELROSE

In accordance with the provisions of Section 125, Chapter 54, of the General Laws of Massachusetts, the City Clerk of Melrose, and the Town Clerk of Stoneham, being the City and Town Clerk of every city and town in Representative District number twenty-two within said County, met at the City Hall, Melrose, at noon on Friday, November 13th, A. D. 1936, being the tenth day succeeding the day of the State Election held on Tuesday, November 3rd, A. D. 1936, and then and there opened, examined and compared the copies of the records of votes cast at said election for the office of representative, and determined therefrom that Mary Livermore Barrows, of Melrose and Joseph A. Milano of Melrose were elected to the office of Representative.

The following is a schedule of all persons for whom votes for Representative were given in said District and the number of votes given for each person, viz.:

Mary Livermore Barrows of Melrose (R) .....	11173
William C. Gibbons of Stoneham (I) .....	1945
Frank T. Keeler, Jr., of Melrose (D) .....	2701
Clarence E. McIntyre of Stoneham (D) .....	2674
Joseph A. Milano of Melrose (R) .....	12778

In witness whereof, we the Acting City Clerk of Melrose and the Town Clerk of Stoneham hereunto set our hands this 13th day of November, A. D. 1936.

RAYMOND H. GREENLAW,

Acting City Clerk of Melrose.

CHARLES A. OWEN,

Town Clerk of Stoneham.

## Recount of Votes for Selectmen

Stoneham, Mass., March 26, 1936.

To the Town Clerk, Stoneham, Mass.

On petition of Violet T. Theroux and others, praying for a recount of the ballots cast Monday, March 2, 1936, for: Patrick J. Callahan, John F. Coughlin, William C. Gibbons, John A. Hamilton, Frederick P. Hanford, Everett C. Hunt, Clarence E. McIntyre, and Charles J. Rotondi, for Selectmen for one year, after due notice to all parties interested, the Board of Registrars of Voters met in the Selectmen's Room, Friday, March 13, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose set forth in said petition.

James J. McDonald and Arthur D. Kenney, agents for Patrick J. Callahan, William C. Gibbons with Orvis H. Saxby as attorney, Frederick P. Hanford and Clarence E. McIntyre were present.

The blocks of ballots were delivered to the Board, opened and 650 ballots were counted. The recount was then adjourned to Wednesday, March 18, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening.

At this session there were present William C. Gibbons with Orvis H. Saxby as attorney, Frederick P. Hanford, and Clarence E. McIntyre. One thousand four hundred (1400) ballots were counted, and the recount was adjourned to Wednesday, March 25, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening.

At this session there were present, William C. Gibbons with Orvis H. Saxby as attorney, Patrick J. Callahan with James J. McDonald as attorney, Frederick P. Hanford and Clarence E. McIntyre.

The remaining ballots were thereupon counted, and the result of the recount was announced as follows.

Patrick J. Callahan .....	1186
John F. Coughlin .....	793
William C. Gibbons .....	1212
John A. Hamilton .....	147
Frederick P. Hanford .....	1514
Everett C. Hunt .....	1806
Clarence E. McIntyre .....	408
Charles J. Rotondi .....	206
Blank .....	1812

And the election of William C. Gibbons, Frederick P. Hanford, and Everett C. Hunt, as declared at the meeting, Monday, March 2, 1936, stands.

At the sessions on Wednesday, March 18, 1936, and Wednesday, March 25, 1936, the Registrars employed Beulah W. Anderson, Margaret C. Cahill, and Bertha C. Moulton as clerical assistants.

DANIEL CULLINANE,  
FRED A. LAWSON,  
ALICE E. FEDIGAN,  
CHARLES A. OWEN,

Registrars of Voters.

## Recount of Votes for School Committee

Stoneham, Mass., March 27, 1936.

To the Town Clerk, Stoneham, Mass.

On petition of Annie E. Dolan and others, praying for a recount of the ballots cast Monday, March 2, 1936, for: Catherine T. Driscoll, George E. MacNeil, Bertha A. Starr, Emily Cooper Tauro for School Committee for three years, after due notice to all parties interested, the Board of Registrars of Voters met in the Selectmen's room, Friday, March 13, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening, for the purpose set forth in said petition.

George E. MacNeil, Bertha A. Starr, and J. Henry McHale and John N. Kelly, representing Catherine T. Driscoll, were present.

The blocks of ballots were delivered to the Board, opened and 650 ballots were counted. The recount was then adjourned to Wednesday, March 18, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening.

At this session there were present J. Henry McHale and John N. Kelly representing Catherine T. Driscoll. One thousand four hundred (1400) ballots were counted, and the recount adjourned to Wednesday, March 25, 1936, at 7.00 o'clock in the evening.

At this session there were present J. Henry McHale and John N. Kelly representing Catherine T. Driscoll. The remaining ballots were thereupon counted, and the result of the recount was announced as follows:

Catherine T. Driscoll .....	1255
George E. MacNeil .....	1307
Bertha A. Starr .....	1364
Emily Cooper Tauro .....	996
Blanks .....	1134

And the election of George E. MacNeil and Bertha A. Starr, as declared at the meeting, Monday, March 2, 1936, stands.

At the sessions on Wednesday, March 18, 1936, and Wednesday, March 25, 1936, the Registrars employed Beulah W. Anderson, Margaret C. Cahill, and Bertha C. Moulton as clerical assistants.

DANIEL CULLINANE,  
FRED A. LAWSON,  
ALICE E. FEDIGAN,  
CHARLES A. OWEN,  
Registrars of Voters.

## Recount of Votes for Lieutenant Governor

Stoneham, Mass., December 3, 1936.

To the Town Clerk, Stoneham, Mass.

Dear Sir:—Pursuant to an order signed by the Secretary of the Commonwealth November 27, 1936, for a recount of the ballots cast Tuesday, November 3, 1936, for Henning A. Blomen of Cam-

bridge, Freeman W. Follett of Haverhill, Walter S. Hutchins of Greenfield, Francis E. Kelly of Boston, Leverett Saltonstall of Newton and Paul C. Wicks of Greenfield, candidates for Lieutenant Governor, after due notice to all parties interested, the Board of Registrars of Voters met in the Selectmen's Room, Wednesday, December 2, 1936, at seven o'clock in the evening for the purpose set forth in said petition.

There were present William H. McHale, John E. Finnegan, Joseph McGovern, Thomas Crowne, Eddie Cameron, and Frank Cox, representing Francis E. Kelly, and Luther Hill and Frederick P. Hanford representing Leverett Saltonstall.

The blocks of ballots were delivered to the Board, opened and counted with the following results:

Henning A. Blomen .....	15
Freeman W. Follett .....	12
Walter S. Hutchins .....	14
Francis E. Kelly .....	1689
Leverett Saltonstall .....	3205
Paul C. Wicks .....	7
Blank .....	199
Total .....	5141

DANIEL CULLINANE,

FRED A. LAWSON,

ALICE E. FEDIGAN,

CHARLES A. OWEN,

Registrars of Voters.

### Perambulation of Boundary Lines Between Stoneham and Wakefield

October 3, 1936.

We, the subscribers, the Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham, and the Selectmen of the Town of Wakefield, having met according to appointment, to perambulate the boundary lines between the said Stoneham and Wakefield, find said lines marked by bounds in accordance with the appended description.

For the Town of Wakefield: Donald White, William Blanchard, D. Thomas Dinan, Harry A. Simonds, Sub.

For the Town of Stoneham: Everett C. Hunt, Frederick P. Hanford, William C. Gibbons.

#### WAKEFIELD, STONEHAM AND READING CORNER BOUNDS

Location — The corner is situated about 120 feet southwest of the house of Charles Cloutman on the northwesterly side of the old country road, known as Pope Street, which runs northwesterly from Prospect Street at the William Richardson estate. It is 5 feet easterly from the junction of two stone walls, and is about 335 feet east of the roadstone on the west side of Main Street.

Mark — The corner mark is a rough granite monument 4.2 feet in height, and about 9 x 10 inches in section. The letter S is

cut on the southerly and westerly faces, 10—R on the northerly face and S R on the easterly face. On the south side of this bound is a smaller one about 15 inches in height, with the letter R cut on the north face, and S on the south face, the S being inverted.

#### STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD No. 1

Location — The corner is situated in Wakefield Park between the houses of William P. Shepard and Mr. Henderson, on the southerly side of Shumway Circle near the junction of Morrison Road, and about 10.6 feet northerly from the corner of the masonry foundation of the Henderson house, and 11 feet westerly from Mr. Shepard's driveway.

Mark — The corner mark is a light-colored granite monument, about 4 feet in height, and about  $8\frac{1}{4} \times 11\frac{3}{4}$  inches in section. The letter S is cut on the west face, and W on the east face.

#### STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD No. 2

Location — The corner is situated by the stone wall on the easterly side of Elm Street, known as Albion Street in Wakefield, about 22 feet southwest of the guidepost at the junction of Green Street.

Mark — The corner mark is a new granite monument about 3.5 feet in height, and  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 12$  inches in section. The letter W is cut on the northeast face, and S on the southwest face.

#### STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD No. 3

Location — The corner is situated on the southerly shore of Crystal Lake on the northerly side of a steep hill, and is beside a footpath at the northerly end of a stone wall. It is about 750 feet west of the house of E. W. Oliver.

Mark — The corner mark is a light-colored granite monument about 5 feet in height, and averaging  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$  inches in section. The letter S is cut on the west face, and W on the east face. The monument leans slightly to the east.

#### STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD No. 4

Location — The corner is situated in an old stone wall running easterly and westerly, and is about 250 feet south of a road-stone on the westerly side of Spring Street.

Mark — The corner mark is a common boulder 3.2 feet in height, and about  $10 \times 32$  inches in section at the base, and  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 9$  inches at the top, the bottom portion of which is buried in the ground to an unknown depth. The letter R is cut on the south face, and S on the north face; the letter W is painted on the south face over the R. The stone leans to the north and west.

#### STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD No. 5

Location — The corner is situated in an open space near a junction of walls, surrounded by oak woods, on the westerly side of a cartpath leading westerly and southwesterly from Spring Street near the limestone on its westerly side.

Mark — The corner mark is a light-colored granite monument about 5 feet in height, and averaging  $7\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$  inches in section.

The letter W is cut on the south and east faces, and S on the north and west faces.

#### MELROSE-STONEHAM-WAKEFIELD CORNER BOUND

Location — The corner is situated in oak woods, at an angle in an old wall, about 110 feet westerly from Grand View Avenue, and about 120 feet northwesterly from the intersection of Grand View Avenue and Ferdinand Street in Melrose.

Mark — The corner mark is a rough granite monument 3.4 feet high, and about 8 inches square. The letters S M W are cut in it.

### Perambulation of Boundary Lines Between Stoneham and Winchester

October 24, 1936.

We, the subscribers, pursuant to a notice duly given, met this 24th day of October, 1936, and perambulated the line between Stoneham and Winchester. We find said lines marked by bounds in accordance with the appended description.

For the Town of Winchester: W. Allan Wilde, James J. Fitzgerald, Jr., Parker Holbrook, Town Engineer.

For the Town of Stoneham: Everett C. Hunt, Frederick P. Hanford, William C. Gibbons.

#### CORNER 5

Location — The corner is situated on the west side of a cart path, and on the east side of a wall, near the corner where it turns westerly about 1,250 feet northwesterly from the dam between the middle and the south reservoirs.

Mark — The corner mark is a rough granite monument 3.5 feet in height, and about  $8\frac{1}{2} \times 9\frac{1}{2}$  inches in section. The letter M is cut on the southwest face, S on the northeast face, W on the northwest face and 1 on the southeast face.

#### CORNER 6

Location — The corner is situated on the southwesterly side of Hill Street nearly opposite the house of Charles Cromack, and about 300 feet from the junction of Marble Street, formerly described as being near Jesse Dike's house.

Mark — The corner mark is a rough granite monument 4.33 feet in height, and  $9 \times 10$  inches in section. The letter W is cut on the south face, and S on the north and east faces.

#### CORNER 7

Location — The corner is situated on low flat meadow of Michael McNulty, about 210 feet north of Forest Street and 220 feet northwest of J. W. Creamer's house. It is 3.55 feet north of a 3-4 inch drill hole in the top of a small boulder about 4 feet in diameter.

Mark — The corner mark is a rough granite monument with pyramidal top, about 4.1 feet in height, and  $9\frac{1}{2} \times 11$  inches in sec-

tion. The letters Wi are cut on the south face, Wo on the west face, and S on the east face—all V shaped.

### Perambulation of Boundary Lines Between Stoneham and Melrose

November 21, 1936.

We, the subscribers, the Selectmen of the Town of Stoneham and having met according to appointment, to perambulate the boundary lines between the said Stoneham and Melrose, find said lines marked by bounds in accordance with the appended description.

For the City of Melrose: Charles F. Woodward, Edwin H. King.

For the Town of Stoneham: Everett C. Hunt, Frederick P. Hanford, William C. Gibbons.

#### CORNER 17

Location—The corner is situated in oak woods, at an angle in an old wall, about 110 feet westerly from Grandview Avenue, and about 120 feet northwesterly from the intersection of Grandview Avenue and Ferdinand Street.

Mark—The corner mark is a rough granite monument 3.4 feet high, and about 8 inches square. The letters S M W are cut in it.

#### CORNER 18

Location—The corner is situated in the woods, about 525 feet northerly from the roadstone at the westerly end of West Emerson Street, and about 112 feet northerly from Hamilton Street, at a point near its junction with Holland Road.

Mark—The corner mark is a rough granite monument 5.3 feet in height, and 7 x 10 inches in section. The letters S M are cut in.

#### CORNER 1

Location—The corner is situated in Middlesex Fells on rough and rocky ground, in a growth of oaks containing a few scattering pines.

Mark—The corner mark is an irregular boulder about 18 inches square and 2.2 feet high. It rests on a pile of stones and is marked M M S I.

### Amendment to Zoning By-Law

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

Middlesex, ss.

June 8, 1936.

I, Charles A. Owen, duly elected and qualified Town Clerk of the Town of Stoneham, in the County of Middlesex, hereby certify that the following is a true copy of Article 13 of the Warrant for a town meeting of said Town, duly called, warned and held on Monday, May 18, 1936, when said article was before said meeting:

By-Law by adding to the present limits of the Retail Business District as heretofore defined and set forth, so as to include in the Retail Business District the following described area: Beginning at a point on land of Frasco heirs on Main Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts, and being eighty (80) feet distant from the Stoneham and Reading town line; thence the line runs Southeasterly by land of said Frasco heirs, two hundred fifty (250) feet to a point; thence turning and running Southerly at right angles and parallel to said Main Street, by land of said Frasco heirs, a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet therefrom and still by land of said Frasco heirs, three hundred (300) feet to a point at land of Farr; thence turning and running Northwesterly by land of said Farr and land of Frasco heirs to a point on said Main Street and thence turning and running Northerly by said Main Street, three hundred (300) feet to the point of beginning.

I further certify that, acting under said Article 13, the following vote was passed:

Voted: That the Town do amend the Zoning By-Law by adding to the present limits of the Retail Business District as heretofore defined and set forth so as to include in the Retail Business District the following described area: "Beginning at a point on land of Frasco heirs on Main Street in Stoneham, Massachusetts, and being eighty (80) feet distant from the Stoneham and Reading town line; thence the line runs Southeasterly by land of said Frasco heirs, two hundred fifty (250) feet to a point; thence turning and running Southerly at right angles and parallel to said Main Street, by land of said Frasco heirs, a distance of two hundred fifty (250) feet therefrom and still by land of said Frasco heirs, three hundred (300) feet to a point at land of Farr; thence turning and running Northwesterly by land of said Farr and land of Frasco heirs to a point on said Main Street and thence turning and running Northerly by said Main Street, three hundred (300) feet to the point of beginning." Unanimous.

I also certify that no objections to the proposed amendment were filed in the office of the Town Clerk.

A true copy from the records.

Attest:

CHARLES A. OWEN,

Town Clerk of Stoneham.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eighth day of June, 1936.

LUTHER HILL,

Notary Public.

Boston, Mass., July 8, 1936.

I hereby approve the foregoing amendment to Zoning By-Law.

PAUL A. DEVER,

Attorney General.

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning

## Office Fees

### Dog Licenses:

389 Males .....	at \$2.00	\$ 778.00
62 Females .....	at \$5.00	310.00
142 Spayed Females .....	at \$2.00	284.00
		—————\$1,372.00

### Sporting Licenses:

70 Fishing .....	at \$2.00	\$ 140.00
52 Hunting .....	at \$2.00	104.00
16 Sporting .....	at \$3.25	52.00
8 Minors .....	at \$1.25	10.00
1 Trapping .....	at \$5.25	5.25
1 Duplicate .....	at .50	
16 No Fee .....		—————\$ 311.75

94 Marriage Licenses .....	\$ 188.00
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### Recording Fees:

Mortgages .....	\$ 179.15
Pole Locations .....	37.20
Gasoline Registrations .....	15.50
	—————\$ 231.85

Miscellaneous Fees .....	62.80
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	—————\$2,166.40
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Paid State, Sporting Licenses .....	\$ 275.00
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### Paid Town:

Dog Licenses .....	\$1,372.00
Sporting Licenses Fees .....	36.75
Marriage Licenses .....	188.00
Recording Fees .....	231.85
Miscellaneous Fees .....	62.80
	—————\$2,166.40

CHARLES A. OWEN, Town Clerk.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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To the Citizens of Stoneham:

The Board of Selectmen elected at the Annual Town Meeting organized for the year's work on March 3, 1936, with Everett C. Hunt, Chairman; Frederick P. Hanford, Secretary, and William C. Gibbons, Disburser of Soldiers' Benefits.

The Board recognized the efficient and faithful services of Charles A. Owen as Town Accountant and Clerk of the Board and also Luther Hill as Town Counsel by again appointing them to their respective offices. They have continued the good work during this year. Other appointments made during the past year were:

Building and Wire Inspector, Charles Baldwin.

Public Weigher, Arthur O. Wheeler.

Superintendent of Moth Work, Percival H. Wardwell.

Forest Warden, William F. McCall.

Animal Inspector, William H. Rolfe.

Dog Officer, Clifford A. Price.

Field Driver, John C. Nelson.

Pound Keeper, William H. Rolfe.

Board of Appeal, Horace E. Bellows, Clarence E. Lent, Harry S. Ford.

Associate Member, Board of Appeal, Willard F. Wyman, Hurlburt Plummer.

Sponsor's Agent, Horace I. Newcomb.

Due to lack of funds in the several appropriations under the Public Works Department it became impossible for the Unemployment Committee to function. This Committee has performed very valuable service in the past, and we recommend that, if possible, the appropriations be so allotted that some part of the work will be placed under the jurisdiction of an unemployment committee, thereby providing many needy people not eligible for Federal work relief an opportunity to provide for themselves.

The Federal Works Progress Administration has functioned under this Board with Horace I. Newcomb as Sponsor's Agent. The many regulations applying on this work have made his duties very trying. He has performed his duties exceedingly well and deserves the thanks of this Board and all the citizens. The projects completed during the year have been much needed permanent improvements. The replacement of the old cement lined water pipes and the closing of dead end water mains are improvements which were urgently needed and have been accomplished at a considerable saving to the Town. This work should be continued as

long as Federal aid for labor is available. The citizens should study the report of the Sponsor's Agent to better appreciate the value of the work being done under this program.

The financial condition of the Town is strong and sound. The cash balance at the end of the year was \$73,675.72 and the surplus in the excess and deficiency fund \$40,363.16. The item of interest charges referred to in the 1933 Selectmen's report of over \$16,000 has been reduced to \$10,994.41 during the current year.

The Public Works Department has carried on under the able supervision of Mr. Cornelius J. Sweeney. This Board appreciates the added responsibility placed upon him by the W. P. A. work and wishes to thank him for his co-operation with us and all other departments.

The reconstruction of Summer Street in conjunction with the State and County has been completed by the Department of Public Works.

During the year the Town lost the services of Patrick J. Regan by death. He had served faithfully for a great many years as Foreman of the Water Department.

The Fire Department under Chief William F. McCall has rendered efficient service to the Town. During the year the new alarm system has been installed and the outside wiring largely replaced. The new system adds materially to the protection against fire.

Captain J. Clarence Nelson has ably commanded a capable and efficient police department. This department could function more efficiently if headquarters were directly connected by telephone with the broadcasting station and equipment added in the cruising car to make possible a reply direct to the station. We recommend an appropriation to install this equipment.

Valuable public service has been rendered by Mr. Charles Baldwin as Building and Wire Inspector and Custodian of town properties, Mr. J. Algernon Forbes, Sealer of Weights and Measures; Mr. William H. Rolfe, Animal Inspector; Mr. Arthur O. Wheeler, Public Weigher.

On November 8, 1936, this Board filed an application for Public Works Administration grant for the construction of two grade schools as voted in the town meeting of September 11. To date no grant has been made.

The work of the Finance and Advisory Board has been greatly increased due to their work on a joint committee with this Board in allotting funds for material on W. P. A. projects. We believe that with their advice the funds have been efficiently expended.

On December 24, 1936, the town lost by death the services of Mr. John J. Kenney. He had served the town faithfully and efficiently for a long time as an Assessor and at the time of his death was Chairman of that Board.

Jurors drawn during the year: John D. Anderson, Daniel E. McLaughlin, Elmer E. Newhall, Wilbur W. Chapman, Harry N. Moulton, Herman A. Meek, George E. Bell, Maurice H. McKenna, Fred A. Schneider, Eugene C. Lemoine, John H. Gallagher, William H. Gay, Herbert Patchett, Henry D. Strail.

The work of this Board has been greatly facilitated by the assistance given by all officers and employees of the Town. This co-operation has been appreciated and it has been our desire to reciprocate in every way.

The detailed report of all departments under the jurisdiction of this Board follow.

Respectfully submitted,

EVERETT C. HUNT,  
FREDERICK P. HANFORD,  
WILLIAM C. GIBBONS,

Board of Selectmen.

### Report of Town Counsel

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

I submit herewith my seventh report as Counsel for the Town of Stoneham.

During the year numerous opinions in writing have been given the various town boards including the Selectmen, School Committee, Board of Public Welfare, Finance and Advisory Board and the Board of Health. An opinion relating to the Tidd Street Play-ground, so called, is printed herewith for a matter of public record.

As in past years the town has been fortunate in the matter of damage claims. One arising out of the change of grade of Summer Street was settled to the satisfaction of all parties, as was a minor accident case on Pond Street. The suit of Mary E. Wood for \$20,000 arising out of an accident on Franklin Street in 1933 was tried before a Jury in the Middlesex Superior Court and a verdict was directed for the Town by the Court on a question of law.

The Town Counsel has conferred with the School Committee on a number of occasions and has drawn up contracts relating thereto.

A number of suits have been brought for the Board of Public Welfare resulting in the payments of the amounts involved.

The Town Counsel has given some assistance to the Building Inspector under the Zoning By-Law.

At the instructions of the Board of Selectmen the Town Counsel took up with the owner the demolition of the old Wadsworth house, near South Border Road, and the building, after some delay was torn down.

During the year two petitions to foreclose tax titles on lots on Shumway Circles have been carried through the Land Court and after various proceedings decrees have been entered in favor

of the Town. These decrees involve considerable property and the Town is now in the position to sell these properties. An article giving the Selectmen authority to sell will be inserted in the Annual Town Warrant.

The Town Counsel has been of some assistance to the Tax Collector in the matter of collecting unpaid water bills.

The Town Counsel has had various conferences with the Board of Health and has acted for the board in a number of matters.

As in the past your Counsel has attended hearings at the State House when requested to do so by the Selectmen. He has attended the meetings of the Selectmen and has rendered opinions, oral and written, on various questions and has attended joint meetings of different boards and has conferred with State officials on various matters.

The Town Counsel has drawn up easements for the Superintendent of Public Works and the Selectmen, and has investigated accident and damage claims with the Police and Superintendent of Public Works.

The Town is practically free of litigation, partly due, in the opinion of the Town Counsel, because of the position of the Selectmen that only legal and just claims should be paid; compromise of unfounded and unjust claims are not made.

In conclusion the Town Counsel wishes to thank all Town Officers for their co-operation during the year, especially the Selectmen; Mr. Owen, Town Clerk; Mr. Sweeney, Superintendent of Public Works; Mr. Cullinane of the Board of Public Welfare; and Mr. Lister, Secretary of the Finance and Advisory Board; for the time which they have taken in conferring with the Town Counsel on so many matters of Town interest.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER HILL,  
Town Counsel.

TIDD STREET PLAYGROUND OPINION

May 15, 1936.

To the Citizens of the Town of Stoneham :

William S. Lister, Secretary of the Finance and Advisory Board, requested my opinion regarding the status of the Tidd Street Playground. I have examined the law, and the following is my opinion.

In July of 1922, Arthur Steele, sole legatee and devisee under the will of Clara M. Steele, conveyed to Arthur Steele, Lois H. Rickey and Charles Fred Buck as "Trustees of the Playground Fund" real and personal property in trust for any public improvement, charitable or benevolent purpose within the Town of Stoneham, among them the establishment of a playground. Acting under the powers of their trust, the Trustees purchased in February and March of 1923, with the trust funds, two lots of land comprising the greater part of the land which is now known as the Tidd

Street Playground, and offered to give this land to the Town of Stoneham for a public playground for children, under certain terms and conditions.

Acting under the foregoing offer the Town, in Town Meeting assembled, under Article 24 of the March Warrant of 1923 passed the following vote :

"That the Town accept as a gift from the Trustees of the Playground Fund, the parcel of land situated on the Westerly side of Pine Street and Southerly side of Tidd Street; the said parcel having an area of 30000 feet more or less. The conditions governing this gift are that said Trustees are to clear the land of all buildings now thereon, and grade and equip said land for the purpose of its use as a playground for younger children, and on the part of the Town it is stipulated that the Town agrees to take perpetual care of the playground."

In accordance with the foregoing vote, on November 19, 1923, the Trustees of the Playground Fund for consideration paid, less than \$50, conveyed the two lots by deed to the Town of Stoneham. The deed contained the following restriction and condition :

"Said parcel is granted to the Town of Stoneham for perpetual use as and for a playground for children. The care and maintenance of said playground to be provided for by said Town of Stoneham."

The deed was accepted by the Town and duly recorded, and the land became the property of the Town of Stoneham subject to the foregoing restriction and condition that it be perpetually used and maintained as a playground for younger children.

Later the area of the original playground was added to when Tidd Street was closed, and the entire playground was enclosed by a wire fence. There is no vote of the Town authorizing the enlargement of the original playground.

Two articles in the Town Warrant of May 18, 1936, call for the erection of a high school building, and the question arises whether such a building can be built on all or a portion of the Tidd Street Playground land, or used for school house purposes, and if so, under what process of law this can be accomplished?

The properties held by the Town are of two kinds, one over which it has absolute ownership as, for example, the Armory Hall, the use of which does not affect the public at large, and the other which it holds as an agency of the State as, for example, commons, parks and playgrounds.

It has been held that where a Town purchases land for a park, the park is held not for the Town's own use in its corporate capacity but in perpetual trust for use of all who at any time might enjoy the benefits of a public park; that a Town is not the owner of a playground in an ordinary sense but that the property is held for the public use for the common good of mankind in which the State has an interest. Therefore, it is held that where

land has been appropriated to the public use of a park or playground, that use cannot be diverted to another public use without an act of Legislature. A case in point is the Town of Walpole. It wanted to use a Memorial Park for school and school yard purposes. It was necessary to file a petition with the Legislature, and under Chapter 486 of the Acts of 1935, it was provided that "the Town of Walpole is hereby authorized to use for school and school yard purposes, a portion of the Memorial Park, so-called, located in said Town and bounded and described as follows: . . . .  
"This Act shall take effect upon its passage."

I would, therefore, advise your Committee that when the Town wishes to use a public playground for a different public use, the Town must obtain an Act of the Legislature to authorize such different use.

The Tidd Street Playground presents, however, an added difficulty and one which the Town should seriously consider at this time.

Arthur Steele was the sole owner of certain property. He gave this property to the "Trustees of the Playground Fund" for certain charitable and public purposes, among them the establishment of a playground. The Trustees, acting in accordance with the Trust deeded to the Town a lot of land under a definite condition that such land be kept, used and maintained as a playground for younger children, and the Town accepted this land under these conditions. There was a binding contract between the Trustees and the Town, and the Town is under a legal obligation to carry out the conditions as stated in the vote of the Town and the deed to the Town. It has been held in numerous decisions by the Court that such an obligation is sacred, and will be enforced by the Courts. Under such circumstances the Legislature cannot by an Act annul such a contract for that would be the impairment of a contract and contrary to the Constitution.

The Legislature can pass an Act authorizing a public use to be put to a different public use where the land has been purchased or is held by the Town, and where there is no trust imposed upon the Town, but where, as in the case of the Tidd Street Playground, the land has been deeded to the Town under express conditions, the Legislature cannot pass an Act and do away with those conditions without the assent of all parties interested as set forth in the following paragraph.

In my opinion, the only method by which an Act of the Legislature could be obtained authorizing the Town to use the land deeded by the Trustees for school purposes instead of playground purposes, is to have the petition to the Legislature brought by all parties in interest, namely, Arthur Steele and the Trustees. In such a case there would be no wrongful impairment of an obligation as all parties assent to the impairment. If Arthur Steele should pass away it would be too late to bring such a petition as

it has been held that his assent is personal, and the petitioners cannot be represented by the Administrator, Executor or heirs of Arthur Steele; also the death of a majority or all the Trustees would complicate, if not defeat the petition, as I assume that now the purposes of the Trust have been carried out and the Trust is terminated.

If the Town wants the playground for schoolhouse or school yard purposes, the petition should be brought during the lifetime of Arthur Steele and the Trustees, and an Act of the Legislature passed authorizing such change.

The only other method by which the land conveyed by the Trustees for a playground could be diverted to a different public use is by the taking of the land by the right of eminent domain. The Courts have held, however, that such taking must constitute a grave public necessity, and it is extremely doubtful if the fact that a building could be more suitably located on the playground rather than off the playground would constitute such public necessity as to entitle the taking of this land by the right of eminent domain. Especially, in view of the fact that the Town accepted the land under the foregoing restrictions and conditions. Under the present conditions. I am of the opinion that the land could not be taken by the right of eminent domain.

In conclusion, if the Town wants to use the playground for schoolhouse or school yard purposes a petition should be filed in the Legislature brought by Arthur Steele, the Trustees and the Town, after a vote in Town Meeting duly authorizing such petition.

The two leading cases covering the various points of law covered by the above opinion are Higginson vs. Boston 212 Mass. 593, and Carey Library vs Bliss Trustees, 151 Mass. 364.

Respectfully submitted,

LUTHER HILL.

Town Counsel.

## Report of Police Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Gentlemen :—I have the honor to submit, as Captain of Police for the Town of Stoneham, the following report for the year ending December 31, 1936.

The regular members of the Police Department are: Captain J. Clarence Nelson; Sergeants John G. O'Brien and William H. O'Toole; Patrolmen Dennis L. McKinnon, George E. Johnson, Thomas J. Flynn, Andrew J. Tuney, John P. Judge, Robert H. Bradley, George J. McDonough, and Ellis B. Bradshaw; Reserve Officers Warren H. Barnes, John G. McHale, Peter F. O'Toole and George N. Savard.

### ARRESTS

Number of Arrests .....	535
Males .....	518

Females .....	17
Minors .....	10
Residents .....	201
Non-Residents .....	334
White .....	534
Colored .....	1
Offences .....	581

**OFFENCES FOR WHICH ARRESTS WERE MADE**

Assault and Battery .....	3
Breaking and Entering .....	3
Capias .....	8
Children Delinquent .....	8
Children Stubborn .....	1
Conspiracy to Steal .....	3
Desertion .....	1
Disturbing the Peace .....	4
Drunkenness .....	187
Escaped Inmate .....	1
Fishing Without a License .....	3
Larceny .....	6
Larceny of Automobile Attempt .....	2
Liquor Unlawful Keeping and Exposing For Sale .....	1
Lottery Promoting .....	1
Manslaughter .....	1
Misappropriation of Automobile .....	1
Non-Support of Minor Child .....	5
Non-Support of Parent .....	1
Non-Support of Wife .....	5
Rape .....	2
Sounding False Alarm of Fire .....	2
Trespass .....	4
Truancy .....	1
Violation of Probation .....	3
Wages Non-Payment of .....	1
Warrant .....	2

**VIOLATION OF AUTOMOBILE LAWS**

Operating so as to Exceed Speed Limits .....	211
Operating Under the Influence of Liquor .....	26
Operating Negligently Endangering Public Safety .....	15
Operating Without a License .....	14
Operating After Suspension of License .....	5
Failing to Keep to the Right .....	12
Failing to Stop on Traffic Signal .....	18
Failing to Stop Before Entering a Through Way .....	9
Failing to Stop Within Eight Feet of a Street Car .....	4
Failing to Stop on Signal of a Police Officer .....	2
Failing to Slow Down at an Intersecting Way .....	2
Failing to Stop After Causing Injury to Property .....	2

Failing to Stop After Causing Injury to Person .....	1
DISPOSITION OF CASES	
Appealed .....	8
Bound Over to Grand Jury .....	3
Defaulted .....	1
Discharged .....	43
Delivered to Other Officers .....	17
Fines Paid .....	207
Fine Remitted .....	1
House of Correction .....	14
House of Correction (Violation of Probation) .....	3
Massachusetts Reformatory .....	1
Placed on File .....	177
Probation .....	45
Released .....	59
State Prison .....	2
Number of Licenses Suspended by Registrar on Recommendation of Police Officers .....	82
Number of Automobile Law Violations (Warnings) .....	527
Number of Traffic Rules Violations (Warnings) .....	282
Number of Parking Rules Violations (Warnings) .....	50
Value of Property Stolen .....	\$3,987.54
Value of Property Recovered .....	\$1,779.00
Value of Property Recovered for Other Departments .....	\$2,425.00
Value of Property Lost .....	\$468.00
Value of Property Found .....	\$151.00
Amount of Fines Imposed .....	\$1,889.00
Amount of Fines Received by Town .....	\$156.00
Imprisonment Imposed .....	13 years, 4 months, 14 days
OTHER DUTIES	
Persons Conveyed in Ambulance .....	141
Accidents Reported .....	138
Persons Injured in Automobile Accidents .....	236
Adults .....	201
Children .....	35
Persons Killed in Automobile Accidents (Child) .....	1
Animals Reported Lost .....	67
Animals Found .....	31
Buildings Found Open and Secured .....	288
Cases Investigated .....	843
Dead Bodies Cared For .....	1
Defective Hydrants Discovered and Reported .....	1
Defective Sidewalks and Streets Discovered and Reported ...	70
Street Lights Reported Out .....	125
Defective Water Pipes Discovered and Reported .....	16
Defective Wires Discovered and Reported .....	10
Defective Auto Lights Reported .....	106
Dogs and Cats Killed .....	38

Dog Bites Reported .....	37
Dog Restraining Orders Served .....	2
Emergency Messages Delivered .....	279
Fires Extinguished Without Alarm .....	3
Fire Alarms Given .....	1
Lanterns Placed in Dangerous Places .....	22
Lord's Day Labor Permits Granted .....	17
Lost Children Cared For .....	13
Missing Persons Reported .....	29
Missing Persons Found .....	28
Notices to Public Works Department .....	137
Notices to Delinquent Dog Owners .....	179
Notices to Tree Warden .....	8
Notices to Dog Officer .....	9
Notices to Property Owners Regard to Laying Out of Street	5
Notices to Board of Health .....	1
Notices to Park Department .....	1
Notices to Town Clerk Regard to Overhead Sign .....	1
Notices Posted for Town Clerk Regard to Change in Zoning By-Law .....	4
Notices Posted for Registrars of Voters .....	4
Number of Times Inhalator Used .....	2
Number of Radio Messages to Cruising Car and Motorcycle	658
Number of Tenants Notified to Clear Sidewalks of Snow ...	13
Number of Lodgers Cared For .....	204
Number of Investigations for Registrar of Motor Vehicles ...	15
Number of Traffic Bulbs Replaced .....	52
Number of Inspections Made of Houses .....	882
Number of Town Warrants Posted .....	120
Number of Permits Received From Selectmen .....	82
Number of Sickness Signs Posted .....	6
Number of Search Warrants Served .....	1
Number of Officers at Fires .....	94
Number of Summons Served .....	106
Number of Signs Posted (Town By-Law) .....	2
Number of Sick Days by Officers .....	82½
Number of Days Worked by Reserve Officers .....	161½
Number of Days Granted Off to Officers .....	3
Number of Permits Received From Park Department .....	2
Officers Detailed to Public Assemblages .....	199
Parade Permits Issued .....	5
Runaway Children Picked Up and Cared For .....	3
Stolen Automobiles Reported From Other Police Dept's .....	3782
Sales and Transfers of Motor Vehicles Recorded .....	640
Duty Calls Made by Officers on Signal System .....	50370
Wagon Calls Made by Officers on Signal System .....	15

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

The demands upon the Department for special service in the

interests of the citizens are constantly increasing. Not only must the most modern methods be used for prevention of crime, and detection and apprehension of criminals, but the safeguarding of the homes and property and business establishments of the people of Stoneham requires an ever-increasing vigilance and supervision, due to the exigencies of the times in which we live.

I recommend, that as soon as possible, a two-way radio system be installed, so that better protection can be given our citizens.

I also recommend, that a teletype be installed so that this Department will be in contact with the other Police Departments in this State.

I also recommend, that a new cruising automobile be purchased for the Department.

I also recommend, that a Police Patrol Box be installed at the Pomeworth Street Playground to the present signal system.

Due to the shortage of patrolmen, seven school crossings are without police protection.

I recommend, that two patrolmen be added to the present department, and also the installation of traffic lights at the following points: Elm and Central Streets, and at Montvale Avenue and Wright Street, as a safety measure.

I believe that the primary obligation of a Police Department is the protection of the lives and property of the citizens and to make the homes, streets, and places of business, safe for our people at all hours of the day and night by concentrating as far as is humanly possible, with the depleted force available, every effort toward prevention of crime.

Our town is as free from crime as any town of its size in this Commonwealth, and this is due, in a large measure, to the manner in which the officers perform their duties.

At this time, I desire to express my appreciation to Colonel Duncan M. Stewart for the courtesy, time, and consideration given to this department in the training of the officers in the use of firearms.

During the year 1936, the Captain received many commendatory letters from citizens of the town in regard to the special protection given their homes during periods in which they were away.

I believe the record of the Department for the year is worthy of commendation, and I wish to thank, at this time, all my officers for their co-operation and assistance, which has helped to make the year successful.

The Captain desires, at this time, to express his grateful appreciation for the co-operation and support given to him by the Honorable Board of Selectmen, also to all other departments of the town.

I am not unmindful of the fine support the Department has received during the year from the newspapers of Stoneham and

the keen interest of the citizens in the progress and welfare of the Department.

Respectfully submitted,

J. CLARENCE NELSON,  
Captain of Police and Lockup Keeper.

### Report of Fire Department

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Gentlemen : — The Engineers of the Fire Department respectfully submit the following report for the year 1936 :

There were 165 alarms of fire, of which 99 were bell alarms and 76 were still. Ten were false.

Value of Property Endangered .....	\$240,963.50
Amount of Insurance Carried .....	188,800.00
Estimated Loss .....	20,285.30
Amount of Insurance Collected .....	20,185.30
Net Loss .....	100.00

There were used during the year 31,100 feet of hose, 620 feet of ladders and 1,305 gallons of chemical.

The motor apparatus consists of one Seagrave pumping engine of 750 gallons capacity, one Seagrave pumping engine of 600 gallons capacity, one city service ladder truck, and one Reo combination hose and chemical truck; also one Buick chief's car which we hope to replace this year.

The department has about 5,700 feet of 2½ inch hose and 1,800 feet of 1½ inch hose in good condition.

The fire alarm system is in first class condition, having been thoroughly rebuilt and all old and obsolete instruments replaced with the most modern equipment. We feel that this is one of the greatest improvements in this department in many years.

We wish to thank the Honorable Board for the co-operation and encouragement given us and to thank the Police Department for their assistance at fires. We would also commend the officers and men of the Department for their prompt response and the efficient performance of their duties.

#### DETAIL OF EXPENDITURES

Permanent Force .....	\$14,203.80
Call Men .....	3,598.90
Assistant Engineer .....	210.00
Hose and Fittings .....	795.00
Apparatus Equipment .....	386.00
Apparatus Repairs .....	218.80
Equipment for Men .....	198.02
Operating Expenses (gas and oil) .....	305.21
Fuel and Light .....	494.58
Fire Alarm Maintenance .....	451.26
Building Maintenance .....	192.20
Telephone .....	80.43

Stationary, Postage, Printing, etc.	23.50
Miscellaneous .....	491.04
	_____
Unexpended Balance .....	\$21,648.77
	3.23
	_____
	\$21,652.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. McCALL,  
FRED L. NEWHALL,  
Board of Fire Engineers.

### Report of Superintendent of Public Works

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen :

Gentlemen :— I herewith submit my 21st annual report as Superintendent of Public Works for the year ending December 31, 1936.

#### HIGHWAYS, CATCH BASINS, DRAINS, ETC.

The streets of the town were kept in a clean condition throughout the year by means of periodical cleaning. Catch basins and drains were all taken care of, so as to allow surface water to drain freely without damage to abutters. Washouts and defects in streets and sidewalks were promptly repaired to prevent liability on the part of the town, all in accordance with our general maintenance policy.

New sections of drainage with catch basins were constructed on the following streets: Green, Elm, Pine, Stevens, Lincoln, Summerhill, Summer, Harrison, Collincote, Emerald Court, Hill Court, Spring Street and Webster Court. A cement cap was placed on the drain at Cottage Street, the wall at Sweetwater Brook near Montvale Avenue was rebuilt and new catch basins were installed on lower Central Street.

Over 35,000 gallons of tar and asphalt were applied to the streets, covered with sharp sand and dragged with a road hone to obtain a smooth riding surface. Ready-mix asphalt patch was used to repair highway defects and tie-in the gutters.

The grading, construction and maintenance of gravel sidewalks was performed under the highway appropriation, all gravel used being taken from the town gravel pit. A large amount of stone dust was also used.

Equipment for pumping water was used extensively during the year to aid citizens with flooded cellars. This was done at an added expense.

Emergency and utility services of a wide variety were rendered during the entire year for the benefit of all of our citizens.

#### WATER DEPARTMENT

Our town has approximately 35 miles of main water pipes and 2500 water services. These pipe lines together with hydrants, gate

valves and regulators were maintained during 1936 without any serious inconvenience to the people of the town. Leaks in the main pipes showed an increase over the previous year because of the WPA water construction program which necessitated the opening and closing of a larger number of valves. Leaks in service pipes maintained the same average as in past years.

All fire hydrants were painted and inspected several times during the year to insure adequate fire protection.

Meters were replaced and repaired to protect both the water users and the town in securing an accurate account of the amount consumed.

A considerable amount of the old cement pipe was replaced during the past year under the WPA program an account of which appears in the WPA report. This work has been accomplished under the jurisdiction of my department following out the recommendations of the Municipal Protection Department of the New England Insurance Exchange.

Twenty new water services were installed, 11 services re-laid and 25 services repaired during the year.

It is with deep regret that I record the passing of our faithful foreman Patrick J. Regan who died during the year. He was a loyal employee of the town, highly esteemed by the men who worked with him as well as by the citizens of Stoneham. We will all miss him.

#### SEWER DEPARTMENT

Twice during the year the main sewers were cleaned with scoops and brushes thus keeping the system flowing freely without serious trouble. A number of stoppages occurred, caused in the most part by the accumulation of roots growing in the pipes. These and other breaks in the service were promptly remedied without serious inconvenience to the abutters.

A word of warning was sounded in my report of last year regarding the main sewer on Main Street between Marble and Maple Streets. The condition of the pipe is anything but good as was evidenced by its pulverized state when a serious break occurred there in 1935. It is entirely possible that this line of pipe may collapse at any time and the extreme depth of the sewer at this point will make its replacement expensive. The main was one of the first installed in the town and was done under contract but no records are available to show what kind of materials were used or the manner in which the sewer was laid.

The pumping units of the South Side Sewer and the Elm Street Sewer were inspected and cleaned each week and operated without trouble.

The main sewers were extended on Sheridan Road, Perkins Street, Wilson Road, Royal Street, Newcomb Road and William Street.

Twenty new sewer connections were made during the year.

## STREET SIGNS AND STREET RAILS

The operation and maintenance of the automatic signal lights and the painting of traffic lines was the largest items of cost under the street signs appropriation. Thirty-eight new street signs were purchased and erected and 41 traffic signs were repaired. Under a special allotment from the Finance and Advisory Board 11 signs were erected in Squares dedicated to men who were killed in action in the Spanish and World Wars.

In my opinion additional money should be appropriated for street signs in order that the actual signs designating the streets of the town be placed on a better standard than they are at the present time. I have requested an increase of \$500 in the street signs appropriation for this purpose.

Under the appropriation for street rails all the railings in town were inspected and dangerous or weak railings were repaired. Cable guard rails were all tightened. Improvements were made in the fences at High Street, North Street, Montvale Avenue and Park Avenue.

## SNOW AND ICE

The plowing of streets and sidewalks was performed as quickly and efficiently as possible and few complaints were received regarding the service. The new motor grader and the sidewalk tractor were both put to good use in plowing, increasing the efficiency of the department and lowering the cost of snow removal.

The heavy Main Street traffic combined with the automatic stop lights require greater service in the sanding of Main Street and this street was taken care of promptly in the interest of safety.

## SIDEWALKS AND EDGESTONES

With the exception of work which required immediate attention, all tar concrete sidewalks were repaired under a contract with T. A. Mulroney. 3463 square yards were repaired and 116 square yards of new work constructed under the contract. Sections of edgestones were laid on Congress Street, Broadway, High Street, Pine Street and Lindenwood Road.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION

A section of Pond Street from Wilson Road to South Street, and Summer Street from Franklin to Gould were re-constructed under Chapter 90 of the General Laws, with the State and the County bearing two-thirds of the expense.

The new streets are a distinct value to the town and add considerable to the value of the property in those sections. In addition to the benefit received from having good streets the unemployed of the town secured a considerable amount of work in their construction.

My office has co-operated with the Massachusetts Depart-

ment of Public Works and a ten year program has been planned for the construction of Chapter 90 roads in Stoneham.

A part of the work on Royal Street was done but as the Metropolitan Sewer job will require the bridge to be taken down it was deemed inadvisable to complete the work this year. It will be finished as early as possible in 1937.

#### WPA PROJECTS

My department has co-operated fully in the planning and estimating of projects which would give the town the greatest benefits from Federal funds. Most of the work has been done under my supervision and has been serviced by tools and equipment from my department. In addition to this the Public Works Department protected the town by finishing jobs that were unsafe even though they were under the sponsorship of the WPA. This of course was an added expense without a record of achievement. An example of this was the WPA order which prohibited its men from any work connected with blasting even to the transportation of logs to cover the blast. As a result ledge removal on all WPA jobs was an expense to my department.

Another illustration is that concerning a garage on Perkins Street. The WPA installed a drain which ran under this garage. The drain was installed but WPA regulations forbade its workers to repair the damage to the garage and my department set the building back on its foundation and poured new cement for the floor.

It is my desire to point out these facts in order that the citizens may have a concrete idea of the functions of the Public Works Department.

I and the men in my department shall continue to co-operate with the WPA as we believe that the best interests of the town are served by such co-operation.

#### IN GENERAL

The Public Works Department has made every effort to give the people of Stoneham prompt and efficient service throughout the year.

Buildings and equipment were kept in repair and all town property under the jurisdiction of the department was kept at a proper standard.

The fullest co-operation has been given to all Town Committees and department heads. The assistance which they have extended is sincerely appreciated.

I wish to extend my thanks to your Honorable Board for the counsel and assistance which you have given through the entire year.

To the employees of my department I desire to express my appreciation for their loyal co-operation under many trying conditions.

I would also extend my appreciation to the citizens of Stone-

ham for their patience and understanding in their relations with the Public Works Department.

Respectfully submitted,

CORNELIUS J. SWEENEY, Supt.

### Report of Building and Wire Inspector

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen: — I herewith submit my report as Inspector for the year 1936 as follows:

Buildings — I have issued 84 Building Permits and 12 Elevator Licenses.

#### Permits:

Dwellings .....	23
Additions to Dwellings .....	23
Garages .....	21
All Others .....	17

Total ..... 84

Estimated Cost ..... \$130,230.00

I have collected in fees and paid to the Treasurer \$218.50.

#### Wires:

Number of Permits granted ..... 304

I have collected in fees and paid to Treasurer \$179.00.

#### Civic Center Property:

I have collected Rents to the amount of ..... \$1,882.50

I have paid to the Treasurer ..... \$1,882.50

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES BALDWIN, Inspector.

### Sealer of Weights and Measures

Stoneham, Mass., January 7, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen: — I hereby submit the report of the Department of Weights and Measures for the year ending December 31, 1936.

The work has progressed well during the year. The weighing and measuring devices in Stoneham are in remarkably good condition, and most of the owners are very careful to keep them so.

The oil distribution is a steadily increasing problem and will require some additional equipment for the Sealer in the coming year.

Only one complaint was received by the Sealer during the past year and that was adjusted agreeably to all parties concerned.

Fees to the amount of \$54.20 have been collected and turned over to the Town Treasurer whose receipt I hold. The Department accounts have also been audited by the State Auditors and found correct.

A summary of the work performed follows.

#### SUMMARY OF WORK PERFORMED

Devise	Adj.	Seal.	Non-Seal.	Cond.
Scales — Platform, over 5,000 lbs .....	2	4		
Platform, 100 to 5,000 lbs .....	7	16		
Counter under 100 lbs .....	2	13		
Spring under 100 lbs .....	22	37	1	3
Computing under 100 lbs .....	7	26		
Personal weighing .....		1		
Weights — Avoirdupois .....		77		1
Measures — Liquid .....		29		
Dry .....		4		1
Gasoline Pumps .....	3	8		1
Stops on Pumps .....	5	67		
Gasoline Meters .....	7	49		1
Oil Pumps .....		20	1	
Yard Sticks .....		4		
Totals .....	55	355	2	8

In addition to above, many inspections of package goods and containers have been made.

Respectfully submitted,

J. A. FORBES, Sealer of Weights and Measures.

### Inspector of Animals

Stoneham, Mass., January 1, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen: — I wish at this time to submit my report as Inspector of Animals for the year ending December 31, 1936.

The dairies apparently are in very good condition considering this time of the year. Orders were received from the Division of Livestock Disease Control to make an annual inspection and examine all barns and livestock within the limits of the town. This was done and a report made to the State Department as to conditions as found on report blanks furnished by them. All dairies are now under State and Federal supervision, a few cows reacted to the tuberculin test. These reactors were removed from town and disposed of by slaughter. The premises were properly cleansed and disinfected before the owner was allowed to restock.

There has been a large number of dog bites during the year. The dog inflicting the injury was placed under quarantine for observation of fourteen days and was not released until ordered to do so by the Director of the Animal Industry. There were no cases of rabies in Stoneham during the year, but rabies are still quite prevalent in this State.

Any person receiving a bite or a scratch should receive medical treatment at once and report the same to the local Board of Health or Police Department.

I wish at this time to thank you for your co-operation during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ROLFE, Inspector of Animals.

## Report of Town Weigher

Stoneham, Mass., January 18, 1937.

To the Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen: — I hereby submit the following report of weighings made on town scales for 1936:

37 Loads at 10c each .....	\$ 3.70
9 Loads at 15c each .....	1.35
8 Loads at 20c each .....	1.60
15 Loads at 25c each .....	3.75
9 Loads at 30c each .....	2.70
8 Loads at 35c each .....	2.80
20 Loads at 40c each .....	8.00
4 Loads at 45c each .....	1.80
2 Loads at 50c each .....	1.00
1 Load at 55c .....	.55
1 Load at 60c .....	.60
1 Load at 80c .....	.80
1 Load at 85c .....	.85
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	\$29.50

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR O. WHEELER, Town Weigher.

## Report of Dog Officer

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Stoneham, Mass.

Gentlemen: — I received my appointment May 1, 1936. Since that time I have caught, confined and destroyed thirty-five (35) unlicensed dogs in the town.

I received from the Town Clerk in July reports of forty-three (43) unlicensed dogs. I called on their owners and caused said dogs to be licensed or destroyed.

I also caught and returned to their owners six (6) stray dogs which were properly licensed.

For the co-operation of the Police Department and Inspector of Animals I wish to express my thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

CLIFFORD A. PRICE, Dog Officer.

January 2, 1937.

## Report of W. P. A. Sponsor's Agent

December 31, 1936.

To the Board of Selectmen and Citizens of the Town of Stoneham:

I herewith submit my third annual report as Administrator of Federal Relief Funds and Projects in the Town of Stoneham for the year of 1936.

Expenditures for this type of work have been larger during the year than at any time since the existence of the program.

Federal funds, during 1936, were spent under the heading, "Works Progress Administration," which was instituted and became effective on December 15, 1935, so that beginning on January 1 of this year things were just getting straightened around and in workable order. One of the main benefits of this new set-up was that employees have been able during the year to receive their pay promptly and the elimination of the long and short weeks which existed under the previous program.

The total amount of federal funds expended on local W. P. A. during the year amounted to \$196,009.94, which amount does not include approximately \$12,000.00 received by Stoneham workers on State Wide Projects and \$18,166.32 expended by the Federal Government for supplies and materials used by our sewing project.

In order to carry on the projects on which the Federal Government spent approximately \$225,000.00 in the town, it was necessary for the town to pay for materials such as water pipe, drain pipe, cement, brick, manhole and catch-basin frames and covers, rental of quarters at 287 Main Street for the sewing unit and administration office, general administrative costs, compressor hire and trucking; a combined total cost of \$32,374.26.

In the next few paragraphs I would like to call the attention of the townspeople to some of the regulations and items of interest incidental to this work during the year.

This office, in order to follow out federal regulations, was not able to employ any person unless they had been registered previous to November 1935 but our peak payroll load was reached during the winter months when we employed as high as three hundred and twenty-six workers on local projects in addition to those employed on what are called "State Wide Projects" which do not come under the direct jurisdiction of my office. Allotments of money under the present program have been provided by the Federal Government according to the estimated cost of projects necessary in order to keep our quota of workers employed. It, therefore, has been necessary for your local office to anticipate our needs, both as to projects and funds, from eight to twelve weeks in advance to comply with state administration offices.

During the flood season in the spring your local W. P. A. office furnished a small group of men who performed services in the Lowell flood area and about three thousand articles of bedding and clothing made by our local sewing unit which worked day and night during the height of this disaster.

The last week in May, in order to co-operate with the state and federal administration in a reduction of the number of workers during the summer months, it was necessary to lay off eighty-six workers from our rolls. In making this reduction in the number of workers, it required a great deal of study and thought by your sponsor's agent. After consulting with the agent of the Board of Public Welfare and the agent of the Soldiers' Relief, as

well as the records of the local office, it was possible to comply with the request of the state administration with the net result that a check one month later showed only five cases where relief had to be given locally. Soon after the above reduction was made this office, with the co-operation of district headquarters, was able to place workers from time to time on State Wide Projects and during the summer and fall months a total of fifty-eight men were employed in this manner.

In order to pay our local workers the prevailing rate of pay, the federal W. P. A., during the month of July, authorized the reduction of hours on local projects from one hundred and thirteen hours to ninety-eight hours a month which, in effect, brought the pay from \$.465 to \$.534 an hour.

Work was started in Stoneham on a P. W. A. project during the month of August which was sponsored by the State of Massachusetts and was for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Metropolitan Sewer which runs through to Reading, Mass. At the time the above P. W. A. project was started this office was informed that we might place unemployed, eligible workers on this work but when workers were referred for employment, it was found that they could not be hired unless these men, who had been out of work for some time, paid a fee of twenty-five dollars to the union, which of course they were unable to do. The above project, therefore, has been of little value to the town as far as employment of local labor was concerned.

Word was received from the Boston office on August 27 that your sponsor's agent was to be the certifying officer for Stoneham and also an authorization to conduct a new registration and certification as to eligibility of applicants' need for employment on W. P. A. The above registration was started at once and up until November 20 one hundred and thirty certifications were made. Registrations and certifications in Stoneham were discontinued as of December 16, 1936.

The registrations and certifications referred to above were for persons who were not working on W. P. A. or who had worked and had been off the payroll for over thirty days. All persons employed on the program as of December 7, 1936, were re-registered and investigated by a group of workers from state headquarters. This investigation was made with the idea of removing all persons from relief rolls who, in the opinion of the investigators, were able to get along without assistance from W. P. A. As a result of this investigation ten out of our two hundred and thirty-seven workers were discharged because of additional income in the families since their employment. This office has had the close co-operation of the agents of the Board of Public Welfare and Soldiers' Relief and have employed every employable relief case where they have qualified for employment on W. P. A.

Operation of the projects during the past year has gone along

very smoothly and, although a great deal of our work is below the surface, I believe that Stoneham taxpayers are receiving as great, if not greater, benefit from the expenditure of federal funds as any of the surrounding communities. Under W. P. A. projects, we have laid more than 12,000 feet of new watermains in the town and are working on another project now of 2,700 feet. I am citing this as one case where the town is making a large saving in dollars and cents because it has been our experience, especially where we are replacing the old cement lined mains, that besides the small capacity of the pipes in some of our main streets, we find the removal of the dirt over these mains causes breaks owing to the weakness of the existing pipe. The town, in this type of project, pays only for the actual cost of the materials.

I am attaching a list of projects together with a brief description which I hope will receive the careful consideration of the citizens of the town:

#### ELIMINATION OF DEAD END WATER MAINS

In order to furnish better water service and fire protection the following dead-end mains have been connected:

Spring St. and Whipple Ave., distance of 200' with 6" pipe.

Highland Ave. and Franklin St., distance of 375' with 6" pipe.

Winthrop St. with Park St., distance of 280' with 6" pipe.

Dean St. with Hancock St., distance of 220' with 6" pipe.

Hillside Ave. with Park Ave., distance of 500' with 6" pipe.

Endicott Road with Collincote St., distance of 100' with 6" pipe.

Steele St. with Collincote St., distance of 500' with 6" pipe.

Elm St. north of Central St., distance of 400' with 6" pipe.

Stevens St., distance of 550' with 6" pipe.

Wilson Road and Pond St., distance of 1,110' with 6" pipe, (and installation of two hydrants).

Although considerable ledge was encountered on Pond Street and Highland Avenue this project is of permanent value to the town. A total number of 4,235 feet of pipe was laid on this project.

#### CENTRAL AND COMMON STREETS WATERMAIN

W. P. A. workers on this project replaced the old existing 6" cement lined pipe with 8" cement lined cast iron pipe on Central Street starting in Stoneham Square and running north connecting with the watermain on Elm Street. Included in this project was also the replacing of the cement lined pipe on Common Street from Main to Pine Streets. Total length of pipe laid 4,090'. In addition to the laying of the pipe, all house and hydrant connections were made by W. P. A.

#### GOULD AND PINE STREETS WATERMAIN

This project was for the purpose of replacing 6" cement lined water pipe with 8" cast iron pipe on Gould Street from Pine to Summer Streets and on Pine Street from Pleasant to Middle Streets, together with all house and hydrant connections — making

the total number of 3,750' laid on this project.

#### WILLIAM AND ROYAL STREETS SEWER

Under this project, W. P. A. workmen constructed 1,000' of 10" sewer on William Street and 500' of 6" sewer on Royal Street.

#### SKATING RINK PROJECT

This project is one which was originally started under E. R. A. program but on account of unsatisfactory conditions and shortage of federal funds, had to be discontinued. An allotment of money has been received under the W. P. A. administration and the rink is approximately 95% complete at the present time.

#### TOWN MAPS

This project is for the purpose of bringing up to date the existing data and maps showing street layouts in the town and a great deal of research and technical work was necessary before these plans could be completed. As a result of this project, this office has turned over to the Town Clerk forty-two plans of street layouts which are accurate and which the town did not have previous to this project.

#### WRIGHT STREET WALL AND SIDEWALK

This project provided for a concrete sidewalk starting at the Emerson School and running to Montvale Avenue, a distance of 350'; also in order that the sidewalk be built, it was necessary to remove one hundred and seventeen cubic yards of ledge and construct a retaining wall on the property line. This enables the children from the school to reach Montvale Avenue without having to cross the street.

#### PUBLIC WORKS GARAGE

This project was for the construction of a fireproof garage at the town yard on Pine Street. This building is 30' x 55' and is of steel and concrete construction and will give the Highway Department an opportunity to properly store their equipment.

#### PERKINS STREET CULVERT

Under this project an old stone culvert was replaced with a 36" concrete culvert. This culvert starts on Perkins Street and runs easterly through private property and across Harrison Street to the Melrose line, a distance of 400'. Work on this project was difficult owing to the nearness of private buildings and the depth of the trench which was 14'. This drain is now located below the level of the cellars on surrounding property and should furnish relief to property owners in this section of the town.

#### PERKINS STREET SEWER

This project provided for the construction of an 8" sewer on Perkins Street starting at the corner of Newcomb Road and running north a distance of 530'. Approximately 75% of this sewer was through ledge.

#### GREEN STREET WIDENING

A dangerous curve on Green Street has been eliminated by this project which was made possible by the removal of five hun-

dred cubic yards of earth and stone and the construction of a new retaining wall 220' in length; average height 8'. Owing to the fact that it was not necessary to do any blasting, the town was able to make a saving of \$800.00, although progress was somewhat retarded while waiting for a federal grant to complete the work.

#### NORTH MEETING HOUSE BROOK

This is a drainage project and provided for the ditching and draining of a large area on the northerly side of Franklin Street and east of Stevens Street; 2,300 linear feet of trench were dug and cleaned out in this area.

#### SHADE TREE PLANTING

This is a Park Department project and allowed the setting out of 275 shade trees on various streets in the town. These trees were taken from the nursery at the Town Infirmary.

#### CEMENT SIDEWALKS

The cement sidewalk project has been one of our most beneficial projects and one which has improved the appearance of property without a large expense to the property owner. It has been possible under provisions of this project to construct approximately 6,800 linear feet of concrete work five feet in width. This project was discontinued during the early part of December and will be reopened in the spring when weather conditions permit.

#### POMEWORTH STREET PLAYGROUND IMPROVEMENT

It is the purpose of this project to improve the work already done by placing an iron rail the length of the upper bank which separates the upper and lower levels of this playground. Workers have also reseeded the entire playing area and shade trees and shrubbery have been set out on the westerly side of the field. Improvements are now under way on the triangular piece of land located between Pomeworth Street and the tennis courts. This area has been grubbed and leveled off and when completed in the spring will be seeded and a sidewalk constructed on the westerly side of Capen Street. Work has been suspended during the winter months.

#### RETAINING WALL ON SUMMER STREET

The old existing wall on the property line on the easterly side of Summer Street opposite the intersection from Hancock Street has been taken down and rebuilt, together with an additional fifty feet of new wall on the Franklin Street end. This has added greatly to the appearance of the street at this location.

#### SEWING PROJECT

During the past year our sewing project, which has employed a great number of our women workers, has turned out 41,743 articles of clothing and bedding. All cloth and most of the findings for this project were furnished by the Federal Government. These materials are all shipped to the W. P. A. Commissaries at Chelsea, Mass.

### DISTRIBUTION CENTER

This office also conducts a distribution center where surplus foods and commodities are given to persons certified by the relief agencies. A list of these commodities will be found below. All surplus commodities furnished by the Federal Government are from their warehouses in Chelsea, Mass., and from the Army Base at South Boston, Mass. The Board of Public Welfare has assisted in the operation of this project by furnishing their truck for the purpose of hauling our goods made by the sewing unit to the Commissaries and also for the carting of commodities to our distribution center.

Articles of clothing received, 21,835 pieces.

Food commodities:

Carrots (cans) .....	2400
Evaporated Milk (cans) .....	1488
Roast Beef (2-lb. cans) .....	15168
Vegetable Stew (cans) .....	1032
Eggs (dozen) .....	450
Butter (pounds) .....	1056
Prunes (pounds) .....	2338
Onions (pounds) .....	4100
Apples (pounds) .....	7484
Cereal (bags) .....	224
Beans (pounds) .....	1800
Flour (bags) .....	391
Peas (pounds) .....	2160
Turnip (pounds) .....	1137
Grapefruit (pounds) .....	9114

### WOOD CUTTING

This project, which was started under the E. R. A. administration was reopened under the present set-up and we completed cutting the wood from the property purchased for use as a town dump on Stevens Street. Since the first of January this project cut and turned over to the Board of Public Welfare approximately fifty cords of wood for distribution by them.

### PRUNING OF SHADE TREES

The work called for under this project was for the inspection and pruning of diseased trees and particularly to examine all elm trees for traces of Dutch Elm Disease.

### TRAINED NURSES PROJECT

Regulations governing this type of project have curtailed the service which we were able to perform under the previous set-up, although we have been allowed and we have furnished services of a trained nurse wherever possible.

### M. D. C. RECREATIONAL AREA

While this project does not come under direct supervision of the local office, we have furnished relief labor for the purpose of improving the section of the Fells commonly called the Sheepfold.

Work on this project consisted of construction of baseball diamond, parking area, out-of-door field stone fireplaces, improving the entrances and general improvement of the grounds. This project was operated in co-operation with and under the supervision of Captain Rogers of the Metropolitan District Commission.

#### SUPERVISED RECREATION

The Town of Stoneham, up until the time of the allotment of federal funds for recreational purposes, did very little along this line and especially for the younger children and since its inception the enthusiasm and interest have grown by leaps and bounds, until at the present time this is one of the most popular and most talked about projects of the W. P. A. program. The persons interested in this work range all the way from the little tots in the sandboxes to some of our most ardent tennis players representing the business and professional men of the town. We have been especially fortunate in having citizens in the various sections of the town who were willing to donate the land which was used for playground purposes for some of the younger children. I would like at this time, in behalf of the W. P. A. and townspeople, to extend our thanks and appreciation for their part in the program.

In order that the townspeople may know of the interest shown in this project, we have tabulated the attendance records of the various sub-divisions of this project for the past year:

	Persons
Baseball Leagues (Community and Junior) .....	52,951
Baseball Leagues (No. of players) .....	451
Dean St. Playground .....	8,336
Park Ave. Playground .....	5,329
Spring St. Playground .....	3,314
Tennis Courts .....	10,288
Cooking and Canning, attendance at instruction classes .....	1,518
Handicraft Classes, attendance at instruction classes .....	1,054
Sewing and Knitting, attendance at instruction classes .....	9,462
Recreation Rooms, from March 9-December 31, 1936 .....	15,846

This office has a very complete report of the W. P. A. supervisor of this project which cannot, on account of its length, be included in this report. It will, however, be given to the local papers for publication.

I would like to take the opportunity in closing my report to extend my thanks and appreciation to the townspeople and to the various town departments and officials with whom I have come in contact during the past year. Without this co-operation the efficient operation of the projects could not have been maintained.

Respectfully submitted,

HORACE I. NEWCOMB, W. P. A. Sponsor's Agent.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEAL

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January 8, 1937.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Stoneham, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen : — The Board of Appeal under the Zoning By-Law submits the following summary of its work during 1936, that being the twelfth year of the operation of the Stoneham By-Law.

### ORGANIZATION AND MEMBERSHIP 1936

Regular Members : Albert J. Blackburn, Harry A. Williams, Horace E. Bellows, Clarence E. Lent, and Harry S. Ford; Associate Members : Willard F. Wyman and Hurlburt L. Plummer; Chairman : Albert J. Blackburn; Clerk : Edna L. Tolman.

### STATISTICS

For the calendar year of 1936, this Board's work may be summarized as follows:

Appealed Cases from the Building Inspector	
Total number filed .....	9
Public hearings advertised .....	9
Public hearings held .....	8
Appeals granted as requested .....	8

One hearing advertised, the applicant withdrew his petition previous to proposed hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT J. BLACKBURN, Chairman.

HARRY A. WILLIAMS.

HARRY S. FORD,

HORACE E. BELLOWS.

CLARENCE E. LENT.

WILLARD F. WYMAN.

HURLBURT PLUMMER.

## REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

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December 31, 1936.

To the Citizens of Stoneham:

The part taken by the Planning Board in the civic life of the town is well reflected by the increased interest manifest by the citizens in the problems of Town Planning and Zoning. The several Public Hearings held by the Board in the past year have been largely attended. Such public interest is indicative of a finer civic pride on the part of our citizens.

The Planning Board is of the belief that the town which grows with a well arranged plan will be more prosperous than one that merely grows. It is surprising that, while in most realms of personal activity we are guided by carefully considered plans made either by our own direction or by those with whom we are associated directly in earning our various livelihoods, in the building of towns, which are the homes of thousands, there is little or no forethought, design or previous plan.

The results are too often confusion of thought and financial inability to meet the ever competitive activity that each generation is confronted with when definite improvements are necessary as a guarantee to the convenience and prosperity of the present and future generations. Stoneham has, without question, profited from planning and suffered from lack of it.

Your Planning Board has tried, when making recommendations, to be ever mindful in feeling it has acted for the greatest good for the greater number of our citizens. We have, therefore, consistently opposed all attempts to nullify those sections of the Zoning By-Law which are a protection to our residential home owners against non-conforming uses, that tend to lessen the value and abrogate those conditions by which many of our citizens have bought or built homes, feeling secure in their property and personal rights because there is existent a Zoning By-Law which is the desired protective against infringement of those rights.

There has been a project submitted to the Federal Government by the Board to have a Master Plan made of the town. Such plan would plot the location of all water, sewer and gas mains as well as catch basins, water and gas shut-offs. A plan of this type would provide the town with a complete and detailed engineering survey that would be a forward and constructive step in planning the mechanical details of the town. This project, if approved, would employ upwards of twenty men over a period of eighteen months.

The Board has recommended to the Selectmen a sidewalk and

curbing project particularly around our public property and at the junctions of several dangerous intersections.

There have been several conferences held with the Edison Light, Eastern Mass. Street Railway, and New England Telephone Company representatives, relative to the elimination of duplicate poles on Marble and Franklin streets, Montvale avenue and Elm streets. The results to date have been very satisfactory and the Board feels that a great good will have been done when such duplicate street poles as these are at the present can be eliminated it will greatly add to the appearance of our streets.

During the year the Board has considered many plans submitted for approval and has been instrumental in several instances, namely the plotting of new residential areas, in proposing changes that we feel will be more desirable to the prospective owner or resident.

The Board met with a committee of the American Legion relative to the naming of the several intersections in memory of those who lost their lives during battle. Through the efforts of the Legion Post, it is a pleasure to report that several beautiful plots have now been grassed and appropriately cared for, each bearing the name inscribed on a marker of a deceased soldier. The Board commends this splendid way of memorializing to the rest of our citizens and is pleased that it was able to participate in a humble way.

The project for two Elementary Schools was approved by the Board after having been submitted by the Selectmen.

The Planning Board wishes to thank the Selectmen, Park Department and all town agencies for the co-operation they have shown during the year past.

Respectfully submitted,  
GEORGE E. MacNEIL, Jr., Chairman.  
THEODORE F. MOORE, Vice Chairman.  
JOHN N. KELLY, Secretary.  
ORA H. BINGHAM.  
WILLIAM A. GARSIDE.  
RUSSELL C. CHASE.  
PERCIVAL H. WARDWELL.  
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WARREN M. MIRICK.  
IDA G. FITZGERALD.  
FREDERICK L. McLAUGHLIN.  
FREDERICK P. HANFORD.

ANNUAL REPORT  
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1936



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## **School Committee**

**C. Frank Munger, Chairman, 114 Central Street  
Term Expires 1938**

**Nellie R. Storey, 269 Main Street  
Term Expires 1937**

**Bertha A. Starr, 18 Everett Street  
Term Expires 1939**

**Bernard M. Scully, 12 Flint Avenue  
Term Expires 1937**

**George E. MacNeil, Sr., 1 Washington Court  
Term Expires 1939**

Regular meetings are held at the High School at 8.00 P. M. on the first Monday of each month.

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## **Superintendent of Schools and Secretary of School Committee**

**Charles E. Varney, 28 Waverly Street, Telephone 1052**

**Office at High School, Telephone 0646**

**The Superintendent may be seen by appointment  
at your convenience**

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## **Secretary to Superintendent**

**Lydia N. Bagdikian, 59 Elm Street, Telephone 0321-R**

**Office Hours:**

**School Days, 8.00-5.00**

**Saturdays, 9.00-12.00**

**School Vacations, 9.00-12.00; 1.00-4.00**

1937 Winter Term, January 4 to February 19  
Spring Term, March 1 to April 16  
Summer Term, April 26 to June 25 noon  
Fall Term, September 8 to December 23  
High School Graduation, June 18  
Schools closed March 26, May 31, June 17, October 12, Third or Fourth Friday in October because of Middlesex County Teachers' Convention, November 11, 24 noon, 25, 26

1938 Winter Term, January 3 to February 18  
Spring Term, February 28 to April 15  
Summer Term, April 25 to June 24 noon  
Fall Term, September 7 to December 22 noon  
High School Graduation, June 17  
Schools closed April 15, May 30, June 17, October 12, Middlesex County Teachers' Convention, November 11, November 23 noon, 24, 25

The state law requires the High School to be open 180 days. The closing date must be made later than stated above if days are lost during the year for inclement weather or other causes so as to bring the total number of days at the closing date less than 180.

### Hours of School

Elementary Schools: Grades 1-2-3-4, 8.30-11.30; 1.15-3.15, Emerson and South Schools.

9.00-11.45; 1.15-3.30, East School.

8.45-11.30; 1.15-3.30, North School.

Grade I may be dismissed 15 minutes earlier at each session.

Grades V and VI, 8.30-11.30; 1.15-3.45. Teachers may dismiss at 3.15.

Junior High School, 8.10-11.36; 12.51-2.28; 2.40-3.30 make up period.

Senior High School, 8.10-1.40; 1.45-2.28 make up period.

### No School Signal

22 on fire alarm.

No morning session. All Grades 7.30 A. M.

Grades I to VI 7.40 A. M.

Grades I to IV 7.50 A. M.

No afternoon session:

Grades I to IX 12.00 noon.

Grades I to VI 12.15 P. M.

Grades I to IV 12.30 P. M.

No-School announcements are also given over radio station WNAC between 7.15 and 8.00 A. M.; 12.00 noon, and 1.00 P. M.

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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At a meeting of the School Committee, January 4, 1937, it was voted to approve the report of the Superintendent of Schools and to submit it to the Town as the report of the School Committee.

C. FRANK MUNGER, Chairman.  
BERTHA A. STARR.  
NELLIE R. STOREY.  
BERNARD M. SCULLY.  
GEORGE E. MacNEIL, SR.

### Report of Superintendent of Schools

To the School Committee of Stoneham, Massachusetts.

Ladies and Gentlemen : — I herewith submit my eighth annual report as Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Stoneham. It is the forty-sixth in the series of such reports.

I call your attention to the reports of the School Nurse and of the Faculty Manager of Athletics which follow this report.

On the 29th day of June, 1837, the Massachusetts Board of Education held its first meeting and established the first State Department of Education in America. To Horace Mann, who was elected secretary of that board, the Public Schools of Massachusetts and the Nation owe much. Schools throughout the length and breadth of our own United States of America will celebrate during the coming year the one hundredth anniversary of the establishment of that first State Department of Education and of the election of Horace Mann as its first secretary. Our Massachusetts schools will take the lead in this celebration.

Horace Mann said, "The minimum of education provided at public expense can never be less than such as is sufficient to qualify each citizen for the civic and social duties he will be called upon to discharge."

For many years the annual reports of the Stoneham Public School Department have carried the statement, "A Democracy operates free public schools and passes compulsory attendance laws not through a sense of charity but because it realizes that education is the only means it has of perpetuating itself and promoting its own interests."

In these days of rapid social-economic changes we should keep these two quotations ever before us and strive to see that our public schools offer the needed opportunities for each child.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

As space does not allow a full report of the work of any department, we choose a few of the most outstanding achievements of the year.

### READING

Last year we spoke of the work done to summarize the types of materials in our reading books. Much further work has been done this year in order to make possible three outstanding aims in reading:

1. To satisfy the desire for acquiring information.
2. To awaken interest in the wealth of literature which helps us to understand different types of people and human relationships as well as to keep us informed on that which is taking place about us.
3. To provide the wholesome activity of reading for pure pleasure.

In order to do this, we have replaced some of the older material with new which is better suited to the abilities of the children at the various grade levels. We have worked to perfect the mechanics and skills in reading so that the children may give more attention to thought getting. Before any child is able to secure the most from his reading he must understand that the words he reads should give him a real picture which he can see with his mind as plainly as he sees the pictures in his books with his eyes.

The teacher who can help the pupils most in this type of work is the one who can herself see and understand these word pictures and who loves and appreciates the beauties in children's literature.

### SOCIAL STUDIES

Although we continue to teach geography and history as somewhat separate units, there grows a closer and closer relationship between them.

*Grade I.* These children come to us with little knowledge of life outside the home. We strive to teach them how to live with a group in such a way that all shall be happy in their work.

*Grade II.* In this grade we have secured a series of social study readers which cover the following topics: Policemen, Firemen, Boats, Airplanes, Trains, Trees, Buildings, Stores, and the Sending of a Letter. Although these books are written in a simple vocabulary, yet there are some new words that must be explained to the children. Thus their spoken vocabularies are gradually increased. Much of this material readily lends itself to dramatization and gives opportunity for the children to satisfy their play instinct.

*Grade III.* In this grade we are gradually introducing books which cover the following topics: Food, Clothing, Houses, Transportation, Gold, Oil, Coal, Iron and Steel. The method of teaching in grade three does not differ materially from that of grade two.

*Grade IV.* This is the grade in which we begin to require more self-directed study on the part of all pupils. The geography text book gives a basis for imaginary trips through the United States and other lands. The history is about the early explorers and settlers in America.

*Grade V.* A few years ago most geographies gave little attention to South America. The book which we now use in grade five is called "The Americas". Although the major portion is still devoted to North America, a fair amount of time is given to our neighbors at the south of us. Our history is a study of the United States.

*Grade VI.* The geography is of the Old World and the history is of Our European Background.

We strive to make our social studies more interesting by the use of visual materials, such as moving pictures, lantern slides, and stereographs. In all grades the pupils illustrate their work by drawings and construction work.

Pupils differ much in their several abilities. Our method of teaching the social studies offers each child an opportunity to contribute some part which he can do especially well.

#### NEW SCHOOL BUILDINGS

We are looking forward to the two new elementary school buildings which the town unanimously voted to erect provided the Federal Government will supply forty-five per cent of the cost. When these two buildings are erected, they will replace wooden buildings nearly ninety years old.

#### JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS

During the past few years the character of the high school population has been significantly modified by the admission in ever increasing numbers of pupils with much wider interests and more varying capabilities and aptitudes. The traditional high school offerings of ten to twenty years ago are wholly incapable of meeting squarely the new problems with which high school faculties and high school pupils have been faced because of rapid changes in our national and community life.

In Stoneham there has been a constant but gradual, and sanely developed plan of meeting the new conditions by reshaping old courses to fit current needs and by introducing new materials where it seemed advisable. The process of refocusing high school objectives has been concerned in the main with that large group of pupils who are not going on to college. Indeed, it is to this large general group that we must give special attention, for college course work is now well standardized, reasonably perfected, and is showing excellent results. Our chief task is concerned with the development of all boys and girls so that they will be inspired to reach the highest possible levels in the social-economic world and to be active participants in the duties of citizenship. This has been our guiding principle in making whatever changes may be

found in the program of studies and in the modified teaching procedures now in operation.

When we examine Horace Mann's simple, straightforward, statements of what he conceived to be the purpose of the American public schools it is evident that our practices have been in line with the policies promulgated by him and other leading educational statesmen. In attempting to train for citizenship we have adopted the widest possible philosophy from the point of view of a liberal education and have included not only courses and activities which have to do with the duties of citizenship directly but with the economic and fine arts fields as well. In the economic field we have followed the pleas of business men and other national leaders to make our courses as practical as possible.

To this end the offerings in the field of mathematics and business subjects provide training in those processes and activities which will be actually used in the lives of practically everyone who engages in the work of the world.

In considering the field of fine arts we must recognize the increase in leisure time which nearly all citizens now enjoy. Hence, we have not hesitated to stress, insofar as our facilities permit, activities in Music, Art, Home Making, Sports, Arts and Crafts, Hobbies, Social Etiquette, Reading, Balanced Recreation, and other subjects which contribute effectively to the general uplifting of the race.

Changes have been made gradually and conservatively, it being our guiding principle to retain as much of the old as has been proven of value and to introduce the new only as there was an actual demand because of modern conditions.

#### THE TWO PLATOON SYSTEM

At the time of the writing of this report, the School Committee has made all plans to carry out the vote of the town to abolish the two platoon system by means of certain changes in the high school building which will provide a larger number of rooms. If the changes are completed on schedule, the junior and senior high schools will return in January 1937 to approximately the same hours of school that were in effect in 1932.

To accomplish this purpose it was necessary to construct an entirely new daily schedule of classes and make a large number of other adjustments as well as to make the physical changes in the building. These physical changes in the plant include the following:

(1) Room 7, previously seating seventy pupils will be divided so as to provide two smaller class rooms to accommodate thirty-eight and twenty-four pupils respectively.

(2) Room 13, previously seating sixty-three pupils, will be divided so as to provide two smaller class rooms to accommodate thirty-eight and twenty-four pupils respectively.

(3) Room 11, previously accommodating forty-eight pupils,

will be divided so as to provide two rooms of twenty-eight pupils each.

(4) The teachers' room will be moved into the small room between the sewing and cooking rooms thus making available a small class room on the first floor.

(5) The Superintendent's office will be moved to the only other available place in the building, the office on the second floor of the junior high school now used jointly by the junior high school vice principal and the elementary supervisor, her office being in turn transferred to the teachers' room at the Emerson School.

(6) The opportunity room now accommodated in a large room in the high school will be transferred to a room about half the size and some of the benches, work tables, and other equipment removed from use.

(7) The rear of the Assembly hall will be equipped as a study hall to take care of study pupils during a number of periods in the week when there will be no class rooms available for such a purpose. This will, of course, make it impossible to meet more than one grade at a time for assembly purposes.

(8) In connection with the above a number of changes will have to be made in heating, ventilating, lighting, furniture, and other equipment.

The new schedule of hours adopted by the School Committee is as follows:

Junior and Senior High:

School opens 8.10 A. M.

Junior High noon recess 11.38 to 12.51.

Senior High closes 1.40 P. M.

Junior High closes 2.28 P. M.

At the senior high school lunch period, 11.38 to 11.57 A. M., it will be necessary to accommodate about 425 pupils in the gymnasium and basement corridors inasmuch as there is no lunch room in the building. The serving room will be taxed to capacity.

The junior high school pupils who live near enough to the school will be released at 11.38 to go home for lunch since with our facilities it is physically impossible to accommodate the almost 900 pupils of the junior-senior high schools without appreciably increasing the high school day.

#### ENROLLMENT BY GRADES AND SEX

October 1, 1936

Grade	Boys	Girls	Totals
7	78	82	160
8	68	61	129
9	85	90	175
10	87	84	171
11	68	65	133
12	64	56	120

## ENROLLMENT BY CURRICULA

September, 1936

Grade	College	General	Business	Prac. Arts	Totals
7					160
8					129
9	78	36	39	18	171
10	62	41	53	13	169
11	56	33	34	13	136
12	55	23	31	15	124
					889

NOTE: The difference between the enrollment by grades and the enrollment by curricula is due to the fact that there was an increase in the enrollment after the September date on which the curricula blanks were filled out.

## ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Reorganization in the English Department began to be an accomplished fact this term when the appointment of Miss Luella Dunning of the senior high school faculty as head of the English Department made it possible to focus more attention and give more time to the needs of this most important part of our school work. In addition to the regular course, work in the speech arts has been made a compulsory subject for all sophomore English pupils. Instruction in this branch of English has been greatly enhanced and motivated by the presentation over Station WNAC of a number of radio playlets by pupils of the school, chiefly under the direction of Miss Ruth Finn of the senior high school faculty and Miss Helen Collins of the junior high school faculty. The dramatic club, too, has contributed to the progress made in the English Department.

## N. Y. A.

The National Youth Administration program was continued this past year, making it possible for a number of pupils to earn sums not exceeding \$6.00 a month by performing various types of work about the high school building including clerical work, library work, cataloging, listing, cleaning, filing, typewriting, and mimeographing. Stoneham's quota is fifteen pupils, five of whom are allotted to the Parochial School and the balance to the high school.

## LIBRARY

The high school library has often been called the heart of the school and we are proud to know that ours functions in that way. It is gratifying, also, to find pupils continuing to take pleas-

ure in their increasing abilities to select and use books for wider knowledge and for recreation.

Introductory library lessons are given in Grade 7, reviewed in Grade 8, and more intensively taught in Grade 9. The very high proportion of non-fiction books used by pupils indicates the value of the library in supplementing the work of the class room. Figures for the past year are as follows:

Senior High School Non-Fiction .....	2759
Junior High School Non-Fiction .....	3051
Senior High School Fiction .....	1802
Junior High School Fiction .....	4582
Magazines .....	1222

Total .....13,416

Within the last four years three of the graduating classes have chosen to make gifts to the library. The Class of 1936 added to the reference books in U. S. History "America", a twelve volume set giving great crises in our history as told by its makers.

The co-operation of the public library has been very much appreciated.

#### HIGH SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

When I came to Stoneham, in 1929, there were enrolled in the junior-senior high school a total of 694 pupils. On October 1, 1936, we enrolled 894 pupils, a gain of 200 pupils, or 28.8+%.

#### RECENT ECONOMIES

Among the chief economies in the high school in the past six or seven years have been the elimination of certain subjects and the combining of certain classes wherever it was possible to do so without interfering too much with educational efficiency.

The following eliminations have been made during the past six years:

Art in Grade 7, Occupations in Grade 7, Music in Grade 8, Elementary French in Grade 8, Elective Manual Training and Domestic Science in Grades 7 and 8, Shopwork in the 9th and 10th grades of the Business Course, Geology in Grades 10 and 11, Penmanship in the Practical Arts Course, Salesmanship in the Practical Arts Course, General Science in the 9th Grade of the College Course, and Domestic Science in the senior high school.

The following classes have been combined in recent years.

New business course groups organized in the 9th Grade have been combined into one section instead of the two previously organized, the two sophomore Latin sections have been combined into one section, 11th Grade Latin has been combined with 12th Grade Latin, General curriculum classes in French are combined with college groups of a lower grade whenever the enrollment in the former is too small, several Mechanical Drawing sections and

Shopwork sections have been combined into one section regardless of course, and several Free Hand Drawing sections have been combined into one section although this latter change reduced flexibility in the program and deprived a few pupils of taking these subjects, and four Biology sections have been combined into two sections.

The storing of text books in a central depository and the method of checking book loans have undoubtedly resulted in a considerable saving to the town. Our text books are in better condition than they have been for a long period.

#### MAINTENANCE

In addition to the usual building repairs two major items of importance should be recorded. The boys' shower room in the high school has been modernized by the tearing down of the old damp and unsanitary cement wall and the building of a tile brick wall in its place. The locker room will be repainted and improved in other ways as early as possible.

The toilet rooms at the North, South, and East Schools have been improved.

#### ADULT CLASSES

The evening high school continues to offer business courses to any citizen of the town. Each year we have a few tuition students from other towns and cities.

The Federal Government continues to offer arts and crafts classes under the able direction of Mrs. Eleanor Bardwell Baker. Beginning January 1, 1937, these classes will meet mostly in the late afternoon and evening.

Our adult citizenship class was held one day per week during the summer vacation. At the opening of school in September, the class resumed the evening session on each Monday and Thursday that the day schools are in session.

It is a real joy to work with all of these adult groups as the students and instructors are doing exceptionally fine work.

#### CONCLUSION

I am very grateful for the very helpful spirit of co-operation which I have received from our teachers, supervisors, and principals, and to the large number of citizens who have aided and encouraged me by word and action. I also wish to thank the School Committee for their very hearty co-operation and for the large amount of time which they have given in order that our many problems might be settled with as little injury to the school system as possible.

Respectfully submitted,  
CHARLES E. VARNEY, Superintendent of Schools.

## Report of School Nurse

Dear Mr. Varney:

I offer the following brief resume of the work in the School Health Department during 1936.

The work has proceeded along three general lines: Preventive, corrective and educational. All three are inter-related—and in many instances all enter into one procedure. For example, the annual physical examination given to all pupils is primarily preventive work. At the same time, it is one of the best pieces of educational work, in that it stresses the importance of and tends to make habitual the annual physical check-up. Furthermore, it no doubt shows need of work along the corrective line.

Without classification I would like to enumerate the various phases of work. Another diphtheria immunization clinic was held in September. Most of the pupils of the first grades who had not already had the treatment and many children of pre-school ages took advantage of this opportunity.

An eye testing clinic was held in March with a leading specialist from the Eye and Ear Infirmary in attendance.

Another clinic for the promotion of health and the prevention of tuberculosis was held in November. Again, pupils of the 7th, 9th and 11th grades and special cases such as tuberculosis contact cases were tested, X-rayed and examined.

A pre-school clinic was held in May, offering an opportunity to children ready to enter school to have a physical examination with advice as to correction of defects, etc. More and more parents are taking their children to the family physician for this check up. This, of course, is ideal and greatly to be desired in order that we may have physically fit first graders with an equal chance to start school life.

The much appreciated dental clinic operated by the Board of Health has continued to render excellent service and to care for pupils in the first three grades. Would that the town of Stoneham could have more service and care for more pupils!

Ear tests have been given and accurate measurements recorded by means of the audiometer. Many towns in our own State still are not possessors of this valuable instrument for detecting loss of hearing.

Eye tests have been given. Effort is being made to examine all first graders as well as suspected defectives by means of the Ophthalmic Telebinocular. Much benefit has already been derived from this new instrument. It is the best means yet available for lay people to measure or detect loss of vision.

Along with all the above, the frequent classroom inspections, periodic weighing and measuring, first aid treatments, classroom talks, mid-morning lunches, home visits, play an important part in the program.

May I take this opportunity to thank the various agencies and

organizations, particularly the Board of Health, the School Committee, the teachers and yourself for the much appreciated help and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARION L. FRANCHERE, R. N., School Nurse.

### Report of Faculty Manager of Athletics

Mr. Charles E. Varney,

Superintendent of Schools,

I herewith submit my eleventh annual report as Faculty Manager of Athletics for Stoneham High School.

It is unnecessary to use valuable space here for an expression of opinion that can be given from time to time in personal conference and through the medium of the local newspapers. May I briefly cite again, however, the need for additional athletic field facilities. To conduct athletics on the scale demanded by a town of our size, with the necessary equipment for the protection of our boys and girls, we must have the facilities of an enclosed field to secure revenue. The necessity for a field house at Pomeworth Street grounds is one that should receive prompt consideration.

The fact that our program of Athletics has been carried on with little curtailment is due largely to the support given benefit performances by the public and to the responsibility of the individual player for part of his own equipment and in some instances for his own transportation expense. With an enclosed field the high school athletic program could be entirely self supporting.

May I take this opportunity to extend my personal thanks and a word of appreciation for the student body to you, Mr. Varney, and to our School Committee for the helpful counsel and support we have received.

Respectfully submitted,  
WILLIAM M. NADEAU, Faculty Manager of Athletics.  
FINANCIAL STATEMENT

#### RECEIPTS

Bank Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 153.67
General (including Theatre Night and other benefit performances) .....	448.90
A. A. Dues .....	29.75
Basketball: Game Receipts .....	83.90
Baseball: Game Receipts .....	69.35
Hockey: Garden Tickets .....	\$ 651.31
League Receipts .....	100.00
	751.31
Football: Game Receipts .....	334.07
Total Receipts .....	\$ 1,870.95

#### PAYMENTS

General (Expenses of shows, awards, postage, etc.) .....	\$ 288.39
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Basketball: Officials .....	\$	50.00	
Transportation .....		36.00	
Supplies .....		51.40	
Dues .....		2.00	
Miscellaneous .....		2.50	
		141.90	
Baseball: Officials .....	\$	66.00	
Transportation .....		26.10	
Supplies .....		66.59	
Miscellaneous .....		4.40	
		163.09	
Hockey: Garden Tickets .....	\$	525.50	
Transportation .....		67.80	
Supplies .....		114.44	
Miscellaneous .....		77.44	
		785.18	
Field Hockey: Officials .....	\$	26.00	
Transportation .....		5.00	
Supplies .....		1.55	
		32.55	
Cross Country: Dues .....			2.00
Football: Officials .....	\$	74.50	
Transportation .....		66.50	
Supplies .....		164.07	
Guarantees .....		25.00	
Miscellaneous .....		14.66	
		344.73	
Total Payments .....			\$1,757.84
Check Book Balance .....			113.11
			\$1,870.95

### Report of the Work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in Stoneham

The following is a report of the work of the Middlesex County Extension Service in the town of Stoneham for the year 1936.

As is generally known, this is a County institution carried on by the Trustees for County Aid to Agriculture, appointed by the County Commissioners for the development of agriculture and homemaking in Middlesex County. Each town is represented by a director appointed by the Trustees. These services are free to any citizen of the County. Headquarters are maintained at 19 Everett Street, Concord, where a staff of agents trained in their particular field is available upon request.

Information has been given those interested in home gardening and special information given to those with fruit trees or large areas of vegetable crops. An exhibit of insect pest control was made at the Garden Club Flower Show. Spray warning cards

for the fruit growers have been sent to all those interested and suggestions given for the material to use and the time of application for the control of the various insect and fungus troubles of the orchardist.

In homemaking, one group of Stoneham homemakers enrolled for the nutrition course on Building Healthy Children. One meeting of the series was conducted by Miss Mary E. Foley, state nutrition specialist. The Home Demonstration Agent met with the mothers at the Town Hall on Clinic Day and later they were given a demonstration on Giving Your Family Their Just Desserts. In addition to the regular project work, many of the young mothers and homemakers received timely information through the monthly letters sent out from the Extension Service.

In 4-H Club work Mrs. Perley Kendall was appointed 4-H Chairman to succeed Mr. Charles E. Varney. The town committee was composed of the following: Mrs. Kendall, Mr. Varney, Miss Kathleen McLaughlin, Miss Clarice Jones, Mrs. Gladys Armstrong, Mrs. Fred Doorley, Mrs. Elizabeth McRae, Mrs. Kathryn Johnson, Mr. Perley Kendall, Mr. Kenneth Prescott and Mr. Arthur Maghakian. Two meetings of the committee were held. The committee proved most efficient in securing local leaders. Miss Barbara Colwell acted as publicity chairman for the town.

4-H Club officers received instruction at an officers' training school held in November. A 4-H rally for Stoneham clubs was held in January. Stoneham handicraft boys carried off honors at the airplane contest held in Concord in early May.

The School Committee has been most generous in granting the use of the school for 4-H gatherings. A most creditable exhibit for the nine clubs in Stoneham was held at the school gymnasium in May, with Mrs. Perley Kendall, town chairman, in charge of the program. The boys' handicraft exhibit was outstanding with thirty-six airplanes on display. Exhibits were judged by local leaders from Wakefield. Pins were awarded to club members and leaders. Seven girls from Stoneham entered the sectional dress contest in Wakefield. Every girl won a ribbon in competition with eighty-eight clothing club members. Inez Jones was a blue ribbon winner in the dress contest. Marilyn Johnson won a red ribbon in the poster contest. Several food club members took part in the sectional food contest.

Eight club members attended Camp Middlesex at Amherst. Miss Kathleen McLaughlin was councillor at Camp Middlesex. Mrs. Perley Kendall attended the leaders' camp at the State College.

Two clubs were led in canning by Kathleen McLaughlin and Mrs. Fred Doorley. There was a store window exhibit of 4-H garden and canning products. Many prizes were awarded by the Stoneham Grange.

Betty Blaisdell, Helen Mosher and Woodbury Titcomb were

awarded the two-day trip to the State College for the excellence of their club work.

### Comparison of Proposed School Budget for 1937 with 1936

#### I—INSTRUCTION AND GENERAL CONTROL

	1936 Budget	1937 Budget	Proposed Difference
Salaries .....	\$122,535.00	\$129,179.00	\$6,644.00+
Books .....	4,200.00	3,700.00	500.00—
Supplies .....	4,800.00	4,800.00	none

#### II—OPERATION

Salaries .....	8,367.50	8,727.90	360.40+
Fuel .....	6,615.00	6,070.00	545.00—
Miscellaneous ....	4,450.00	4,350.00	100.00—

#### III—MAINTENANCE

Repairs .....	3,500.00	5,825.00	2,325.00+
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#### IV—AUXILIARY AGENCIES

Health .....	2,912.50	3,101.00	188.50+
Transportation ..	1,500.00	2,000.00	500.00+
Tuition .....	750.00	850.00	100.00+
Miscellaneous ..	300.00	300.00	none

#### V—OUTLAY

New Equipment	991.75	640.00	351.75—
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	\$160,921.75	\$169,542.90	\$8,621.15+

NOTES: All salaries for all school employees have been figured with full restoration of cuts as of March 1, 1937.

The repair item includes in addition to general repairs, painting of several class rooms, rebuilding of girls' showers, installing an electric water cooler in junior high similar to one now in senior high, and repairs to gymnasium roof.

Transportation and tuition are increased to meet our estimated expense for the fiscal year 1937. It is not possible to estimate these items accurately owing to changes which may take place. The sums allowed for these two items are based on our present knowledge of conditions.

#### Special Appropriations:

Americanization .....	\$ 500.00
Trade Schools .....	2,000.00
Police at Athletic Games .....	150.00
Travel School Employees outside the state .....	150.00

NOTE: Approximately one-half of expenditures for Americanization and Trade Schools are refunded by the State.

#### Estimated Receipts:

State Income Tax .....	\$13,645.00
Tuition State Wards .....	3,225.61
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Total Receipts .....	\$16,870.61

TEACHER	Courses for Professional Advancement by Teachers During 1936		
	SPRING	SUMMER	FALL
Jeanette M. Bailey		Travel—California and Canadian Rockies Pacific Northwest	Keeping Mentally Fit—State House
Ruth S. Benson			Conversational Italian—No. Bennett Industrial School Trends in Secondary School Organization, Administration and Supervision—B. U.
Edward A. Bugbee			Psychology—Lowell Teachers College
M. Ethel Chapman			Travel—Western U. S. Tour Appreciation of Literature—Harvard B. U. Ext.
Janet F. Copland			School and Society—B. U.
Rose K. Coy			School of Ed.
Walter M. Dalglish		Music Appreciation—Phillips Andover Academy	W. P. A. Arts and Crafts Course—Stoneham
Marion E. Desmond			Art in Elementary Grades—Stoneham
Ruth Finn			Choric Speaking—B. U.
Betty M. Foster			Dramatics in the School—Noyes School
Lydia H. Freitag			B. U.—Rhythemics—Springfield College

Ruth Gerrish

Teaching Drawing in the Primary Grades, Stoneham

Priscilla G. Hinchcliffe  
Alice F. King

Roger W. Lamson

Katherine B. MacCarron

Marjorie F. Markham

Dorothy W. Marshall

Demonstration Lecture Course—Miss Farmer's School of Cookery

William M. Nadeau

Mental Hygiene and the Individual—B. U.

Marian E. Pickering

Anna M. Regish

W. P. A. Arts and Crafts Course—Stoneham

Elementary Drawing—  
Stoneham

Travel—Canadian Northwest English Conference — Bread Loaf School of Eng., Middlebury, Vt.  
Soc. Sci. Methods in the Secondary School—B. U.  
Private Lessons in Handicraft—Dennisons & Magnus Handicraft Co.

Psychology of Adolescence—  
Harvard University Ext.  
English, Oral Composition, Voice Culture, Dramatic Expression—Mary Frances Rooney's School of Elocution Trends in Secondary Education—B.U., Advanced French Conversation and Composition—B. U.  
Review of Recent Books—University Ext.  
Methods of Teaching Mentally Retarded Children—Harvard University Ext.  
W. P. A. Arts and Crafts

TEACHER	Courses for Professional Advancement by Teachers During 1936	
	SPRING	FALL
Alexandra S. Roberts		Course—Stoneham English, Oral Composition, Voice Culture and Dramatic Expression — Mary Frances Rooney's School of Elocution Boston
Genevieve A. Roberts	Travel Tour of United States	W. P. A. Arts and Crafts Course—Stoneham
Florance C. Ruggles		Reading in the Primary Grades—University Ext.
Eleanor H. Russell		Art in Elementary Grades— Stoneham
S. Evelyn Stewart	W. P. A. Arts and Crafts Course—Stoneham	Travel Tour of United States Creative Art—B. U. Voice in Reading and Speak- ing—B. U.
Effie L. Stone		Typewriting—Stoneham W. P. A. Arts and Crafts Course—Stoneham Reading—Amesbury
Earle T. Thibodeau		
Gladys Tucker		
Alice M. Walsh		

## List of Teachers and Other Employees

NAME	SUBJECT OR GRADE	ADDRESS	DATE APP.	EDUCATED AT
Lenora Bessey	Library	31 Cedar Ave.	1905	Colby College
Walter M. Dalglish	Music	15 Richardson Av., N. And.	1925	Harvard
Karl P. Ellerin	Physical Education	198 Franklin St.	1930	Springfield College
Andrew S. Flagg	Art	36A Maple St.	1929	Mass. Normal Art
Marion L. Franchere	Nurse	4A Winthrop St.	1923	Winchester Hospital and Columbia University
Vera C. Lawson	Physical Education	82 Central St.	1927	New Haven Normal
Dorothy W. Marshall	Domestic Science	22 Pomeworth St.	1923	Framingham Normal
Anna M. Regish	Pen., Typ., Jr. Bu. Tr., Math.	21 Myrtle St.	1931	Salem Normal
Alice H. Smith	Stand. & Guid. ( $\frac{1}{2}$ time)	167 Hancock St.	1897	Salem Normal
Geoffrey W. Talbot	Shop	40 Nowell Rd., Melrose	1926	Tufts College
Norman P. Hersam	School Physician	20 Hersam St.	U. of C., Har. Med. Sch.	
Herbert N. Louis	Supervisor of Attendance	16 Pleasant St.	1930	
Harry R. Dockram	Transportation Officer	456 Main St.	1926	
Margaret M. McLaughlin	Clerk	125 Main St.	1932	
Howard W. Watson	High School	39 Lindenwood Rd.	1926	Middlebury and Harvard
William M. Nadeau	Vice Prin., Math.	66 Hancock St.	1925	Castine Norm. and B. U.
	Fac. Man. of Athletics			
Helen B. Miller	Secretary	12 Wright St.	1926	
Jeanette M. Bailey	Math., Soc. Studies	55 Central St.	1929	Moses Brown and B. U.
Helen M. Barnes	Math., Occupations	13 Hersam St.	1926	Boston Normal
Ruth E. Benson	Latin, French	55 Central St.	1931	Boston University

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NAME	SUBJECT OR GRADE	ADDRESS	DATE APP.	EDUCATED AT
Edward A. Bugbee	Science, Math.	66 Hancock St.	1936	Middlebury College
*Helen C. Collins	English	337 Main St.	1929	Keene Normal
Rose K. Coy	English	57 Middlesex Rd.	1919	Worcester Normal
Elizabeth W. Crowell	Elem. Science	55 Central St.	1908	Farmington Normal
Kenneth W. Davis	Mathematics	44 High St.	1927	Bowdoin College
Katherine A. Devlin	Comp., Literature	209 Hancock St.	1899	Salem Normal
Luelia M. Dunning	English	60 Central St.	1935	Carroll College and B. U.
Fannie Eastman	Science, Math.	75 William St.	1924	University of Vermont
Ruth G. Finn	English	90 William St.	1934	University of N. H.
Harriet E. Fitzgerald	Algebra, Business Arith.	55 Central St.	1932	Boston University
Eva M. Garland	Pl. Geom., Gen. Math., Sten.	13 Pomeworth St.	1905	Colby College
Howard R. Gordon	Science, Biology, Chem.	36 Parkway Rd.	1928	Mass. Agric. College
Walter R. Herrick	Mech. Drawing, Shop	15 Keene St.	1930	Gorham Normal
Everett L. Hoyt	Econ.-Geog., Econ.-Law	71 Green St.	1926	Northeastern University
Gertrude M. Johnson	Bus. Org., Accts., Appl.	476 Main St.	1929	Tufts College
Alice F. King	Latin, French	14 Cottage St.	1931	Bridgewater Normal
Roger W. Lamson	English, Social Studies	39 Gould St.	1936	Syracuse University
Mildred E. Leavitt	English, History	3 Capen St.	1932	Boston University
Winston B. Lobdell	Mathematics	241 Main St.	1936	Keene Normal and B. U.
Katherine B. MacCarron	Opportunity X	14 Collinco St.	1927	Radcliffe
Dorothy R. Meriam	English	70 Pleasant St.	1936	Salem Normal
William G. Miller	Science, Math.	35 Butler Av.	1932	Holy Cross
Marian E. Pickering	Comp., Soc. Studies	337 Main St.	1921	Castine Norm. & U. of M.
Henry R. Reed	History, English	32 Maple St.	1930	Dartmouth and B. U.
*Arthur W. Reynolds	Physics, Chem., Sol. Geom.	241 Main St.	1929	Harvard
Alexandra S. Roberts	Social Studies	149 Hancock St.	1930	Truro Normal and B. U.
Eleanor L. Smith	Sten., Typewriting	83 Central St.	1932	Salem Normal
Fannie W. Spinney	French	31 Pleasant St.	1929	University of N. H.
Earle T. Thibodeau	History	8 Benton St.	1918	Tufts College

\*Edwin J. Whittemore  
Thomas Flynn  
Patrick Landers

Marion E. Desmond  
\*\*Martha L. Mower  
Effie L. Stone  
Catherine E. Hubby  
Mildred C. Jensen  
Janet F. Copland  
Genevieve A. Roberts  
Rachel H. Steele  
Eileen J. Tobin  
Alice H. Smith  
Priscilla G. Hinchcliffe  
Ernest T. Sands

Alice M. Walsh  
Ruth J. Cannon  
Ruth Gerrish  
\*\*\*Marguerite M. Connell  
Marion W. Schreiber  
Bessie W. Baker  
A. Dorothy Daley  
Rosemary Hamill  
Alice E. Riggs  
Ernest L. Clark

Florance C. Ruggles  
\*Carolyn S. Potter  
Gladys E. Tucker  
M. Ethel Chapman  
Lydia H. Freitag  
Ambrose E. Wright

Mathematics	43 Lincoln St.	1913	Plymouth Normal
Janitor	123 Park St.		
	7 Washington St.		
<b>Dean School</b>			
Grade V	78 Elm St.	1935	Boston University
Grade V	59 Central St.	1929	Farmington Normal
Grade V	19 Everett St.	1936	Gorham Normal
Grade V	58 Marble St.	1931	Westfield Normal
Grade V	12 Cedar Ave.	1926	Salem Normal
Grade VI and Principal	17 Clematis St., Winchester	1914	Salem Normal
Grade VI	90 William St.	1931	Bridgewater Normal
Grade VI	40 Main St.	1916	Bridgewater Normal
Grade VI	20 Lindenwood Rd.	1930	Bridgewater Normal
Grade VI ( $\frac{1}{2}$ time)	167 Hancock St.	1897	Salem Normal
Opportunity Y	2 East St.	1911	Salem Normal
Janitor	7 Gould St.		
<b>Emerson School</b>			
Grade I and Principal	200 Franklin St.	1901	Stoneham Training
Grade I	3 Caper St.	1925	Farmington Normal
Grade II	86 William St.	1933	Perry Kindergarten Nor.
Grade II	8 Washington Ave.	1932	Salem Normal
Grade II	44 Wright St.	1936	Keene Normal
Grade III	12 Cedar Ave.	1928	Hyannis Normal
Grade III	20 Lindenwood Rd.	1930	Bridgewater Normal
Grade IV	113 Park St.	1935	Plymouth Normal
Grade IV	19 Hersam St.	1928	Hyannis Normal
Janitor	77 Central St.		
<b>East School</b>			
Grade I	3 Winthrop St.	1935	Perry Kindergarten Nor.
Grade II	4 Prospect St.	1934	North Adams Normal
Grade II	52 Gould St.	1936	Lowell Normal
Grade III and Principal	697 Westford St., Lowell	1925	Miss Rust's Kind. Nor.
Grade IV	28 Pond St.	1925	Yale University
Janitor	12 Wright St.		

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NAME	SUBJECT OR GRADE	ADDRESS	DATE APP.	EDUCATED AT
Gladys F. Lovejoy	Grade I	337 Main St.	1926	Hyannis Normal
Marjorie F. Markham	Grade II	35 Lincoln St.	1934	Framingham Normal
S. Evelyn Stewart	Grade III	43 West St.	1931	Farmington Normal
Florence H. Graham	Grade IV and Principal	20 Cedar Ave.	1910	Stoneham Training
Charles E. White	Janitor	4 Tremont St.		
<b>North School</b>				
Betty M. Foster	Grade I	70 Pleasant St.	1929	Gorham Normal
*Helen L. Briggs	Grade II and Principal	23 Maple St.	1907	Quincy Training
S. Josephine Graham	Grade II	20 Grant St.	1936	Lowell Normal
Irene G. Bagley	Grade III	36 Warren St.	1928	Worcester Normal
Eleanor H. Russell	Grade IV and Principal	70 Pleasant St.	1929	Farmington Normal
James H. Duncklee	Janitor	533 Main St.		
<b>South School</b>				
Elizabeth C. McDonald	Americanization School	10 Hill St., Winchester		
Lydia N. Bagdikian	Stenography	59 Elm St.		
Anna M. Regish	Typewriting, Penmanship	21 Myrtle St.		
Lorimer Sergeant	Book., English, Type.	21 Duncklee Ave.		
A. Leonard Miller	Physical Education	2 Parkway Rd.		
Alice M. Riley	Physical Education	4 Albion Ave.		
<b>Evening School</b>				
* Left in June    ** Left in April    *** Left in November				

## AGE AND GRADE REPORT, OCTOBER 1, 1936

STONEHAM, MASS.

Grade	Age												Total	
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
1	36	67	15	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	119	
2	—	40	75	19	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	—	136	
3	—	—	37	75	23	1	1	—	—	—	—	—	137	
4	—	—	—	1	30	87	18	2	—	—	—	—	138	
5	—	—	—	—	—	37	80	13	7	—	—	—	137	
6	—	—	—	—	—	36	83	18	7	1	—	—	145	
7	—	—	—	—	—	—	38	87	23	8	4	—	160	
8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	27	71	21	7	3	—	
9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	1	44	94	26	9	1	
10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	42	88	32	6	
11	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	34	73	20	4	
12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	64	21	
P. G. Oppy. Rooms	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	1	6
Totals	36	107	128	126	155	139	144	147	148	200	199	95	78	1735
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## Stoneham High Graduation Exercises

Armory Hall, Friday, June 12th, 1936, 3.00 o'clock  
ORCHESTRA SELECTIONS  
GRADUATION MARCH

Class Marshals:

RUSSELL A. ANDREWS, Class of 1937  
DOROTHY B. STARR, Class of 1937

PRAYER

REV. JOHN D. MOWREY

All Saints' Episcopal Church, Stoneham

"Dedication" ..... *Franz*

SENIOR CLASS CHORUS

SPEECH OF WELCOME

SAMUEL W. SMITH, Class President

"Valse" ..... *Friml*

JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA

PRESENTATION OF THE MACDONALD MEDALS

To JOHN B. JANIGIAN and ELEANOR M. GRUNDBERG

By MISS ANNIE B. TROWBRIDGE

Class of 1884, Stoneham High School

The MacDonald Medals, in memory of James Wallace MacDonald, Principal of Stoneham High School from 1876-1892, are presented for scholarship, character and good influence in the school.

"Ave Maria" ..... *Schubert*

JOHN D. DIAMOND

Piano Accompaniment by STUART CRAIGIE

Violin Obbligato by HELEN SHERIDAN

ANNOUNCEMENTS OF OTHER HONORS AND AWARDS

Washington Franklin History Medal for Boys — George Bowser; donated by Massachusetts Society, S. A. R.

History Medal for Girls — Hazel Stone; donated by Stoneham Woman's Club

Mathematics and Science Medal — Robert Patten; donated by Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Mathematics and Science Shield — Nathalie Patten; donated by Northeastern University

History and Social Studies Shield — Robert Patten; donated by Northeastern University

Carrie S. Ireland Citizenship Award — Robert Patten; donated by American Legion Auxiliary

Eliza Carruthers Lister Award in Art — Robert Brown; donated by Stoneham Grange

James W. Hibbs Music Prize — Dorothy Spear; donated by Stoneham Grange

Prize for Excellence in Business Studies — John Janigan; donated by High School Commercial Club

College Scholarships — Eleanor Grundberg and John Janigian; donated by Parent-Teacher Association

HOWARD W. WATSON

Principal of the High Schools, Stoneham

"My Task" ..... *Ashford*

SENIOR GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

AWARD OF DIPLOMAS

MR. C. FRANK MUNGER

Chairman, Stoneham School Committee

"America"

ENTIRE ASSEMBLY

ORCHESTRA SELECTIONS

### GRADUATES

#### COLLEGE PREPARATORY COURSE

*Winslow W. Blanchard	Albert Henry Pigon
George Wesley Bowser	Joseph E. Pinciaro
*Anne Katherine Corcoran	Ellen Quincy
John Stuart Craigie	Warren Leslie Reed
David Conrad Dewhurst	Violet Reid
Robert E. Dillon	Thomas Rothwell
Winthrop Taylor Fagan	James E. Rush
Louis C. Goetz	Robert Joseph Saunders
*Eleanor Marie Grundberg	Harold Grant Schumann
*Virginia Adelaide Holden	Helen Sheridan
Ruth Ann Howard	Samuel W. Smith
Mary Ellen Keating	Dorothy H. Spear
Donald A. Lawson	Christena Elizabeth Stinson
Gordon Kenneth Lister	*Hazel Lillian Stone
*Dorothy Loring May	Jessie Sylvester
Ronald F. McKinnon	*Harreitt F. Tidd
Benjamin Hinds Moody	Carl L. Tolman
Frank Russell Morrison	Lloyd B. Wilson
*Natalie Patten	F. Melvin Wyman
*Robert Brown Patten	

#### GENERAL COURSE

Irene Francis Allen	Margaret Rose Ferry
Ernest O. Anderson	*Michael Joseph Gallella
Anthony A. Antetomaso	Donald David Gardner
Theodore H. Arnold	Frank Geremonte
William C. Baert	Paul F. Junkins
Robert A. Bell	Richard Henry Lamb
Dorothy May Bingham	Iola Lane
E. Bryce Blanchard	Vera M. Leeman
Marguerite L. Brown	Julia Elizabeth Mahoney
*Joseph Bruce	Benjamin L. Maxwell
Elizabeth Anne Callahan	Nels Harold Nelson, Jr.
Charles Dixon Campbell	*John J. O'Neil

Robert Wrenn Casey	Harold C. Pickens
Chester S. Cleveland	Ethel Alice Powers
Robert Harold Covin	*Myrna Lorraine Robinson
Robert Nelson Cutter	Phyllis Edna Robinson
John D. Diamond	Philip Savelo
Catherine Elizabeth Doherty	Marcia Elizabeth Stevens
Rita J. Doherty	Grace Elizabeth Thomas
George P. Downes	Howard Elliot Truesdale
Virginia Elizabeth Dugan	Alexander S. Wallace
Erma E. Eldridge	

#### PRACTICAL ARTS COURSE

Allen Bekkenhuis	Ralph L. MacDonald
William F. Burns	John H. McPartland
Edward J. Comer	Donald J. Orr
Frederick L. Gross	George T. Poalella
Dorothy Mildred Hill	Romeo J. Rotondi
Clifford H. Hupper	George R. Watkins
Thomas M. Hurley	

#### BUSINESS COURSE

Robert Brown	*Rose R. Madison
John Benjamin Carr	Clifton Joseph McCaleb
Alfreda Davidson	Louise Genevieve McLaughlin
Linda J. Di Cicco	Anna G. Murray
Marion Louise Donaghey	Florence Mary Orsillo
Margaret Joan Emanuel	Harriett Russell
Tena Anne Fama	Josephine Alice Southall
Lillian Flannigan	Barbara Stanley
*John B. Janigian	Virginia Evelyn Vacca
Marion E. Lirakis	Joseph Austin Wainwright
Walter A. Logan, Jr.	

#### POST GRADUATE COURSE

Frances Larkin	Alyce Potter
	* Honor Group

Class Colors — Blue and Gold

Class Motto — "Character — Work — Success"

#### Absences of Teachers for Which They Were Paid Salary for the School Year 1935-36

(This does not include leaves of absence or other unpaid absence)

##### ON ACCOUNT OF THEIR OWN SICKNESS OR ACCIDENT

Total days .....	144.5
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Average days per teacher .....	2.1
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##### ON ACCOUNT OF OTHER EMERGENCIES

Total days .....	25.5
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Average days per teacher .....	.4
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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

To the Citizens of Stoneham:

A comparison of the contagious diseases reported during the years 1935 and 1936 gives a clear view of the health conditions during the past two years.

	1935	1936
Scarlet Fever .....	16	13
Diphtheria .....	—	1
Measles .....	8	42
Chicken Pox .....	29	7
Whooping Cough .....	4	9
Mumps .....	2	13
Dogbite .....	48	37

The diphtheria case was unusual, the first reported in  $4\frac{1}{2}$  years.

The examinations in the Public Schools by Dr. Hersam and Miss Franchere and in the Parochial Schools by Dr. Kerrigan and Miss Ames had much to do in safeguarding the health of the school children.

Our removal of ashes and rubbish, depositing all disease breeding old cans and filth to the dump on Stevens Street Dump protects our homes, cellars and premises from a menace that is not afforded by some other nearby communities. Our Dental Clinic should be a source of pride to all parents sending their children to our schools.

### SURVEY OF SANATARIES OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS

March 19, the entire Board made a survey of the Public Schools and found the sanitary conditions of the South, North and East schools unsanitary, reporting to the School Committee, who at a joint meeting of both Boards, issued the following statement:

"It was voted to start work at once at the North, South, and East Schools and that those rooms be placed in a condition that will be as satisfactory as possible, considering the age of the buildings. It is the intention of the School Committee by this vote to place these toilets in a safe, sanitary and well-lighted condition.

C. F. Munger, Chairman."

"April 23, 1936.

Mr. C. Frank Munger, Chairman,  
School Committee, Stoneham, Mass.

Dear Mr. Munger:

In response to Superintendent Charles E. Varney's letter of April 16, requesting that our Board investigate the improved condition of the toilets in the North School, the Board and Dr. Nor-

man P. Hersam made such investigation on Tuesday, April 21, at 1.00 P. M.

We found the ceilings and walls of the toilets newly painted and whitewashed, the floors clean and no odors. Ventilators had been put on the windows facing Main and Central Streets and bulb lights had been installed above each of the toilets.

While we still believe that individual bowls flushed separately is the sanitary remedy, we approve the School Committee's changes as a temporary solution of the toilet problem.

Yours truly,

George A. Hinchcliffe, Secretary.

Joseph H. Kerrigan, M. D.,

George A. Hinchcliffe,

Lawrence E. Doucett,

Stoneham Board of Health."

Our Chairman, Dr. J. H. Kerrigan, was very active in abolishing the two-platoon system which was not a healthy condition for our school children. He also helped to save the town from the heavy debt of a new high school.

#### DOG CLINIC

The Board held an Anti-Rabic Dog Immunization Clinic in the basement of Armory Hall, June 23, 24, 25 and 26. Dr. William Buckley of Winchester, 2 dog holders, the Board of Health Nurse and two clerks were the organization. Out of 500 notices sent out to dog owners, 199 dogs were given anti-rabic treatment, and with other replies of private treatment, dogs sold, given away or died, 215 dogs were accounted for. The community spirit shown by dog owners and the personnel of the dog clinic deserves the commendation of the general public. We would have you note that while there were seven cases of rabies in humans treated in 1935, no case of rabies in persons was reported or treated in Stoneham during 1936.

#### NO CONTAGIOUS DISEASES REPORTED IN AUGUST

For the first time since records have been kept by the Board of Health a month elapsed with no contagious diseases reported to our Board.

#### DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION

Fifty years ago diphtheria was the most fatal of all diseases affecting children. Today any community can wipe out diphtheria desiring to do so.

To this end, a diphtheria immunization clinic is held in Stoneham yearly for the purpose of treating children of the incoming classes at the schools, the first grades and children of pre-school ages whose parents desire to take advantage of the opportunity. This year the clinic was held in Armory Hall, Tuesdays, September 22, 29 and October 6. Sixty Public School, 32 Parochial School and 21 Pre-School children were immunized. Doctors Hersam and Kerrigan, with nurses, Miss Franchere and Miss Ames, were re-

sponsible for the success of the clinic. Here it is well to note, that only one case of diphtheria has been reported to our Board during the past four and a half years.

#### DENTAL CLINIC

In September, Dr. Cyphert and Miss Ames visited all the schools in Stoneham (Public and Parochial) and examined the mouths of 552 children in the first three grades. The efficiency of Dr. Cyphert has been demonstrated by the completion of all third grade children's work before Christmas.

#### ASHES AND RUBBISH REMOVAL

S. Rotundi & Sons have removed from all parts of the Town 1249 high truck loads of ashes, tin cans, paper and even gravel, auto parts and household furniture. Mr. Sweeney's public works department has held down paper, tin cans, etc., by dumping 634 truck loads of dirt on Stevens Street dump.

The outlook on reducing expenses incurred by hospitalization looks better for our taxpayers than for years, as we have now only one case of tuberculosis in the Middlesex County Sanatorium. Two cases of tuberculosis have been taken care of by a nearby town and city at a saving of at least \$1,000.00 to the town of Stoneham.

The Board thanks the Selectmen, Police Department, Mr. Sweeney's Department, Mr. Cullinane of the Welfare Department, Mr. Charles Baldwin, and all others who have aided to make our work successful in 1936.

GEORGE A. HINCHCLIFFE, Health Officer.

JOSEPH H. KERRIGAN, M. D.,

GEORGE A. HINCHCLIFFE,

LAWRENCE E. DOUCETT,

Board of Health.

### Report of Milk Inspector

Licenses have been issued as follows:

Wagon and Dealers .....	27
Store .....	.45
Oleomargarine .....	8
Pasteurization .....	5

We have but 5 local dairies and they are all clean and have pasteurization plants that meet the strictest State requirements in bacteria count, solids and fats. This is safeguarded by monthly milk analyses by Lawrence E. Doucett. Our regulations require that all milk sold in Stoneham shall be pasteurized to protect the public health.

GEORGE A. HINCHCLIFFE, Milk Inspector.

### Report of Board of Health Nurse

#### PAROCHIAL SCHOOL

Individual and classroom inspections made frequently.

Children examined by Dr. Kerrigan .....	415
Children examined for cleanliness monthly .....	371
Children weighed and measured quarterly .....	415
Children tested for sight and hearing .....	415
First Aid Treatments .....	330
Exclusions from School .....	75

#### CLINIC WORK

Children referred to clinics or private physicians .....	30
Children taken to New England Sanatorium .....	10
Children taken to North Reading Sanatorium .....	8
Adult taken to Middlesex Sanatorium .....	1
Children sent to Sharon for summer, public and parochial .....	4
Children immunized for diphtheria .....	87
Children fitted for glasses .....	8

#### CHADWICK CLINIC

January and November

Children receiving test .....	111
Follow-up cases .....	3
X-Rays .....	18

#### HOME WORK

Home Visits .....	157
Consultations .....	405

#### DENTAL CLINIC

Examinations .....	552
Patients .....	483
Operations .....	2270

#### DOG CLINIC

Assisting Dr. Buckley, V. D., in his work.

Respectfully submitted,

DORCAS M. AMES, R. N.

### Report of Agent of the Board of Health

To the Board of Health.

Gentlemen: — I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1936.

Contagious diseases reported:

Chicken Pox .....	8
Diphtheria .....	1
Dog Bite .....	39
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis .....	1
German Measles .....	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum .....	1
Suppurative Conjunctivitis .....	1
Influenza .....	1
Pneumonia, Lobar .....	4
Measles .....	43
Mumps .....	13

Scarlet Fever .....	13
Septic Sore Throat .....	1
Pulmonary Tuberculosis .....	1
Other Tuberculosis .....	1
Whooping-cough .....	12
Infectious Parotitis .....	1

Total ..... 142  
 Deaths recorded:

	Males	Females	Total
January .....	6	16	22
February .....	8	8	16
March .....	6	10	16
April .....	7	14	21
May .....	7	8	15
June .....	3	5	8
July .....	7	6	13
August .....	4	7	11
September .....	4	4	8
October .....	3	4	7
November .....	3	6	9
December .....	7	6	9

Totals .....	65	101	166
Burial permits issued .....			147
Burial permits issued on certificates from other States .....			3
Permits for transportation of bodies .....			9
Removal permits issued .....			5
Deaths occurring elsewhere and recorded in Stoneham .....			27
Plumbing permits issued .....			80

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. OWEN, Agent.

### Report of Dental Clinic

Total number of Patients .....	483
Total number of amalgam fillings .....	845
Total number of cement fillings .....	757
Total number of extractions .....	330
Total number of prophylaxis .....	293
Total number of completions .....	311
Total number referred for gas extractions .....	35
Total number refusing treatment .....	13
Total number of operations .....	2270

Examined 552 children in the public, parochial and New England Sanitarium Schools in the first, second and third grades and reports were sent home to parents in September.

Sincerely,

PAUL R. CYPHERT, D. D. S.

## Report of Plumbing Inspector

Mr. George A. Hinchcliffe.

Dear Sir:— I herewith submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1936.

Number of permits granted .....	88
Number of fixtures installed .....	339

Divided as follows:

Bath tubs .....	48
Lavatories .....	56
Closets .....	69
Sinks .....	61
Wash Trays .....	63
Boilers .....	40
Showers .....	2

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I have made 234 calls all in line of plumbing.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID TAGGART, Inspector of Plumbing.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

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To the Citizens of Stoneham:

The year 1936 was one of the most progressive in the town's history from the point of view of the development of parks and playgrounds. To begin with, the department maintained and supervised a total area of land in excess of 310,000 square feet as compared with 230,000 in 1934. The additional property included the lower field on Pomeworth street, the new playground on Park avenue, and the land around the High School. Combined with the outdoor program was the direction and sponsorship of the Recreation Room on Central street, the Handicraft unit and the Sewing and Knitting unit in the Bell Building. It is worthy to note that such an elaborate set-up could not have been carried on without the W. P. A. The Works Progress Administration supplied not only laborers and supervisors but also contributed a real saving to the town through its work in repairing and preserving our playground equipment. A more complete review of the part played by the W. P. A. in Stoneham's recreation and playground development can be found in the report of the Sponsor's Agent, Horace I. Newcomb.

The growth of playground and park facilities also placed more duties on the shoulders of the Board's able Superintendent, Percival H. Wardwell. He was called upon to assist in the drafting of the following Federal projects in addition to his regular work: the hockey rink and field house on Gould Meadow; the grading and landscaping of Gould Meadow as a playing surface; the grading and landscaping of the lower field on Pomeworth street; the stone field house on Pomeworth street; and the recreation program. These projects represent allotments totaling more than \$50,000 for labor and supervision and the Board is pleased to announce that everyone of them has been approved.

The hockey rink is now nearing completion along with the field adjacent to the tennis courts. Because of unfavorable weather conditions, which usually prevail in the winter months, the Board deems it advisable to await the construction of the field house on Pomeworth street until spring. Although a small crew of men will start grading the Meadow, here too, the bulk of the work will be done in the summer.

Contrary to the opinion of some, the Board is following a definite plan for the Meadow, namely the Planning Board Plan of 1932. A retaining wall will be erected on the field's east bank, the surface will be layed out for football and junior and senior baseball and trees will be planted around the area, which covers

six acres of land. In time it is the hope of the Board that the field will be one of the best in the Middlesex Valley.

It is fitting to record the public spirit on the part of Archie G. Wills and George Cole, who again donated their land on Spring street and Dean street respectively for playground purposes, thus affording the children of the town five playgrounds in all, along with Tidd street, Park avenue and Pomeworth street. Another indication of thoughtfulness was the gift of an equipment cabinet for Park avenue by Joseph Nickerson. This playground, situated in a pine grove, is probably one of the best in this vicinity.

#### RECREATION

Opening officially on March 9th, the Recreation program got under way with the Recreation Room on Central street, the Sewing and Knitting unit located in the rear of the Old Armory, and a week later, the basketball league for junior players at the high school.

This program was and is under the direct supervision of the Park Department and is being carried out by the expert and competent instructors and attendants furnished by the W. P. A.

A busy season was enjoyed by the Recreation Room during the spring months. Opening up again in the fall, the room, with its ping pong and card tables, as well as a radio, immediately became once more the center of attraction to young and old.

The Sewing and Knitting unit, one of the main features of the program, has had a record attendance since its initial opening. Shifting the scene of its activities several times, it is now located in the Bell Building for the winter season.

The basketball league, composed of junior players, is having a very successful series of Saturday afternoon games. We are indebted to the school authorities for the use of the high school gymnasium in furthering work of this feature.

Listing high in the attendance records, were the tennis courts. This is the first year that the town has had the opportunity of using for a complete season, public courts of this nature. From the opening day to the closing one, the courts were under the constant personal supervision of competent instructors, who maintained order and acted as teachers of the game to all who required instruction. During the long and busy season of play, many visitations were made by out-of-town civic officials, who declared that they derived many useful suggestions and ideas from our conduct and maintenance of the courts.

A particularly well attended baseball league was conducted again this year, for both junior and senior players. The junior players held forth in the mornings while the senior league operated in the evenings. It is interesting to note that a total of 130 individual grown-ups played in this popular after-supper pastime.

The five supervised playgrounds, Pomeworth street, Tidd street, Park avenue, Spring street and Dean street, were especially

popular this year due to the greatly enlarged program and the newly added equipment. Some of the highlights of the season included such activities as: tennis, card and ping pong tournaments, hiking, corn and weenie roasts, big-league baseball junkets to the Boston Bees and Boston Red Sox games, plays, minstrel shows, outdoor circus, field day and the senior and junior safety patrols. Among some of the new equipment were: swings, slides, showers, teeter-boards, games, etc. From the numerous complimentary remarks that have been received, it is conceded to have been the best year, from a recreational standpoint, that our town has ever enjoyed.

The Cooking and Canning unit that met in the domestic science rooms of the high school was one of the more practical features of the entire program. Dealing directly with the study and practical methods of preparing "budgeted meals," the course also included the latest and most scientific ways of canning seasonal fruits and vegetables.

Making a rather belated start in the late fall, the Handicraft unit for boys has become overnight one of the biggest drawing cards in its age and sex group of the entire recreational calendar. Dealing primarily with wood-carving and its many related phases, the boys are turning out fine work.

On completion of the present work at the Gould Meadow hockey rink, a Community hockey league and supervised public skating will be carried out under our present plans. This work will also include the maintenance of the rink as well. It is hoped that, conditions being favorable, we may be able to light the rink so that this popular sport may be enjoyed during the evening hours also.

The following record of attendance to the various recreational features from the start of the project on March 9th, up to December 1st, is as nearly accurate as it is possible to make it. A total of 8,315 hours of supervised public recreation.

Unit	Attendance
Baseball Leagues (Senior and Junior) (Pomeworth St.)	52,951
Basketball Leagues .....	367
Cooking and Canning .....	1,518
Dean Street Playground .....	8,336
Park Avenue Playground .....	5,329
Spring Street Playground .....	3,314
Tidd Street Playground .....	14,891
Handicraft .....	718
Recreation Room .....	13,932
Sewing and Knitting .....	8,394
Tennis Courts .....	10,288
Miscellaneous (Circus, Field Day, Baseball Junkets, etc.)	4,770
Grand total .....	124,808

An itemized record of the various activities and attendance

has been kept at all times and for the first time a pictorial record of the season's high spots and fun has been made.

In closing, may we add that the personnel of this project, headed by Stanley D. Wood, has received congratulations from the W. P. A. headquarters in Boston in regard to the fine way this work has been carried out. It was stated that Stoneham's program ranks among the finest in the state.

We also thank the Stoneham Independent and the Stoneham Press for the generous way they have co-operated with us in keeping the various activities before the public eye.

Due to the fact that recreational work of this type means so much to the health, safety and interest of the youth of the town, it has become a necessary part of the civic life and for the year to come, with the new playground on Pomeworth street and the development of Gould Meadow, we are looking forward to an even greater season than that just reported.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM F. WILSON, Chairman,

NICHOLAS E. APALAKIS, Clerk,

FRED A. SCHNIEDER, Permits,

Board of Park Commissioners.

## REPORT OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

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To the Citizens of Stoneham :

The Board of Public Welfare herewith submits its annual report for the year 1936.

The Board organized as follows: Hugh A. Dougherty, Chairman; Charles E. Ames, Secretary; Alton W. Estes, Clerk.

The following appointments were made: Dr. James Blenkhorn, Town Physician; Dr. Thomas Devlin, Relief Town Physician; William H. Rolfe, Supt. of Town Infirmary; Gertrude Rolfe, Matron of Town Infirmary; Daniel Cullinane, Agent and Investigator.

Conditions having to do with Welfare work during the year have been carried on along about the same way as during 1935. All applications are made to the agent who is authorized to grant temporary aid. All cases are reviewed at weekly meetings of the board who also render all decisions that have to do with questions of policy. At these weekly meetings an opportunity is provided for recipients to have their individual cases reviewed if they feel proper consideration is not being accorded to them by the Agent. Also recipients are called to appear before the board to explain situations that arise from time to time that appear to be beyond the scope of handling by the Agent. At least once a month the Superintendent of the Infirmary meets with the board to discuss general conditions and many visits are made to the Home by members of the board where conditions can be reviewed at close range.

While it is generally conceded that business at large has shown a decided improvement there has not been a corresponding decrease in welfare costs. This is not only true in Stoneham but is the experience of other cities and towns throughout the country.

With established quotas on W. P. A. it has been found impossible to provide work for all those who are able to do so. The wages received on this work, in several cases, are insufficient to care for the entire family budget which makes it necessary for the Welfare Department to grant supplementary aid for rent, clothing, etc.

W. P. A. regulations are such that men employed on projects are loath to leave them for temporary private employment even though a higher hourly rate is paid. This is because as soon as a vacancy exists in the established quota it is immediately filled from the waiting list and when the temporary private employment ceases a new application is required which may take several weeks before reassignment to W. P. A. work if at all.

It will be readily seen that this tends to work against leaving

W. P. A. assignments unless permanent private employment is available and is a fundamental fault with the system which is recognized by those in authority but one that has not been satisfactorily solved to date.

For several years prior to 1936 a sum of approximately \$20,000.00 was set aside to be spent by a committee of representatives of the Finance and Advisory Board, Selectmen and Board of Public Welfare, for relief of unemployed citizens. This provided employment for many who would otherwise require aid from Welfare funds. No provision was made for such a fund during 1936 which partially explains increased welfare costs.

COMPARISON OF MONTHLY CASE LOAD IS AS FOLLOWS

	1935	1936	Decrease	Increase
January	123	147		24
February	109	142		33
March	97	139		42
April	92	147		55
May	66	121		55
June	70	107		37
July	67	109		42
August	118	116	2	
September	82	95		13
October	82	97		15
November	124	102	22	
December	173	116	57	

This indicates an average increase of approximately 20% in number of cases per month over 1935.

An analysis of expenditures of 1935-1936 is as follows :

OUTSIDE RELIEF

	1935	1936	Decrease	Increase
Cash	\$6069.08	\$5982.82	\$86.26	
Food	8668.40	12172.37		\$3503.97
Fuel	3580.69	3423.03	157.66	
Rent	6419.76	7488.61		1068.85
Clothing & Shoes	571.36	759.21		187.85
Medicine	1385.03	1264.75	120.28	
Hospital	1318.20	896.43	421.77	
Board	719.15	1090.07		370.92
Burials	310.00	155.00	155.00	
Other Cities & Towns	4201.55	7319.21		*3117.66
Miscellaneous	20.56	182.40		161.84
Mother's Aid	4194.00	5405.00		1211.00
Home Nursing	745.52	102.75	642.77	
Deportation		225.25		225.25

Total Relief                   \$38,203.30   \$46,466.90   \$1,583.74   \$9,847.34

Net increase \$8,263.60 equals 21.3%.

\*Includes \$2,448.43 carried over for payment in 1937.

Food and rent items represent approximately 50% of the net increase and are under direct control of the local board and were the result of adding an increased number of cases outlined above.

Other Cities and Towns expenses increased over \$3100.00 or almost 75% and are not under control of the local board other than to verify as to the settlement status which is done in all cases without delay.

#### ADMINISTRATION

	1935	1936	Decrease	Increase
Agent	\$1250.16	\$1625.06		\$374.90
Clerk	693.33	741.00		47.67
Office Expense	252.12	150.00	102.12	
Town Physician	750.00	750.00		
Town Infirmary	8257.62	7766.10	491.52	
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$11,203.23</b>	<b>\$11,032.16</b>		<b>\$593.64</b>
				<b>\$422.57</b>

Net decrease \$171.01.

Increase in Agent and Clerk's accounts were due to a small increase in Agent's travelling expenses and to a change in accounting in September brought about by the necessity of meeting National and State requirements in connection with Old Age Assistance.

Prior to September the Agent's and Clerk's salary and expenses were allocated to Welfare and Old Age Assistance each carrying its own particular space in relation to the total amount involved. Starting in September a separate organization was created in accordance with definite National and State requirements to care for Old Age Assistance which resulted in charging the entire salary and expense of the Agent and Clerk to Welfare accounts from September 1, 1936, up to January 1, 1937. During 1936 the following amounts were collected from other cities and towns.

	Welfare	Old Age
To accounts incurred prior to 1934	\$685.25	
To accounts incurred during 1934		
To accounts incurred during 1935	5417.37	\$62.00
To accounts incurred during 1936	9391.88	8825.88
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$15,494.50</b>	<b>\$8,887.88</b>

This represents excellent work on the part of the Agent as it is only by constant supervision that settlement cases can be properly determined and followed as well as maintaining relations with other Welfare Boards in such a manner that full co-operation exists.

There are, however, several accounts still outstanding that will continue to receive our attention and on which it will undoubtedly require assistance from the Town Counsel and the Town Collector before they can be collected. They are as follows:

Accounts incurred prior to 1934	\$4,720.08
Accounts incurred during 1934	527.39
Accounts incurred during 1935	2,945.48
Accounts incurred during 1936	7,870.68
 Total	 \$16,063.63

The following table shows an analysis of the case load as of January 1, July 1, and December 31, 1936:

	Jan. 1	July 1	Dec. 31
Children Boarders	4	5	5
Sick and Infirmit	13	10	7
Mother's Aid	7	7	8
Aged and Infirmit	1	5	5
Deserted Families	2	2	3
Unemployed	9	32	40
Sup. Aid to W. P. A.	132	43	43
Sup. Aid to Priv. Emp.	4	2	4
State Institutions	1	1	1

It will be noted from the above that there are still an appreciable number that are not cared for by W. P. A. work and that it is necessary to furnish supplementary aid in over 40 cases.

The large number of 132 cases receiving supplementary aid to W. P. A. workers on January 1, 1936, was due to a cessation of W. P. A. funds at that time and is an indicator of what might be expected if this assistance should be withheld.

Recipients of aid, if physically able, were required to work at the Town Infirmary assisting in raising various crops and making alterations and general improvements there. A detailed list of which will be found in the Superintendent's report following.

In the near future it will be necessary to place a new roof on the barn as the present one is 19 or 20 years old and has been repaired many times to prevent leaks and damage to the interior. It is also hoped that in the not too distant future the present heating system can be converted to automatic oil operation in place of the present soft coal arrangement. This will allow cleaner operation and furnish more even heat which is quite necessary when so many aged people are concerned.

However, both of these items will be discussed with the Finance and Advisory Board before any definite authority is requested as it is recognized that such improvements should be made a part of the regular town program and should be introduced at a time when they will have the least effect on the overall expenses.

Illness of Dr. Blenkhorn made it necessary to request the assistance of Dr. Devlin on several occasions during the past year and we are deeply grateful to him for his co-operation and valued service during those trying periods. The question of adequate compensation for the Town Physician is one that will have to be faced at this coming town meeting as under the present arrange-

ment it is difficult and quite unfair to expect the amount of service now required for the amount paid.

The assistance and co-operation of officials and staff of the New England Sanitarium, as well as all town boards, officials and employees who have made it possible for us to "carry on" are also appreciated.

Regular office hours are maintained so that routine business and applications for aid can be handled without delay. Office records are in excellent condition and posted to date and contacts with other boards and state officials are such that information or service requested by them can be furnished with celerity and dispatch.

It is more or less disappointing to note the absence of a reduction of these costs, as one might expect with general improvement to see at least a downward trend, but in so far as we are able to forecast, no such decline can be expected, at least, not until private industry absorbs many more than it has to date. When this may occur is beyond our ability to say and diligent study of the situation does not disclose anything peculiar to Stoneham.

What is happening locally is typical of conditions around us and if any interested citizens feel they can contribute some solution or thoughts to bring about a reduction it will be appreciated if they will visit with the Board at any of these regular meetings which are held on Thursday night in the Bell Building.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH A. DOUGHERTY, Chairman.

CHARLES E. AMES, Secretary.

ALTON W. ESTES, Clerk.

### Report of Superintendent of Infirmary

Board of Public Welfare,

Gentlemen :— I hereby submit my report for the year ending December 31, 1936 :

Number of inmates cared for to Dec. 31, 1936 .....	30
Largest number of inmates at one time .....	25
Number discharged to care for self .....	5
Number discharged to other institutions .....	3
Number discharged to care of State .....	2
Total number of inmate days .....	7297
Total number of inmate meals .....	21891
Total No. Welfare recipients' meals (working at Infirmary)	878
Total number of meals to employees .....	5475
Total number of deaths .....	0

The following is a list of vegetables distributed to Welfare and Federal Relief recipients : Cabbage 5,500 lbs; Carrots 250 lbs; Turnips 33 bu; Potatoes 23 bu; Spinach 33 bu; String Beans 53 lbs; Summer Squash 17 lbs; Sweet Corn 4,105 lbs; Tomatoes 142 bu; Beets 164 bu; Lettuce 347 heads; Apples 7 bu; Peppers 13 bu;

Winter Squash 6,000 lbs; Cauliflower 200 heads; Cucumbers 1,700.

Sixty-six cords of wood sawed to stove lengths and delivered to Welfare recipients.

Planting and harvesting was done with the assistance of inmates and Welfare recipients as well as the following upkeep and improvements.

**UPKEEP** — Parting beads were renewed in thirty windows and stops adjusters to prevent rain and cold air passage. \$10.00 material.

Four cellar window frames renewed and screens made. \$2.00 material.

Closed space under eaves on main house over sunporch to prevent leaks from melting snow and driving rain. \$3.00 material.

Painted canvas roof on sunporch, two coats of white paint. \$6.00 material.

Bricked in foundation under ice box to assure more even temperature. \$1.00 material.

Removed unused brick chimney from garage.

Replaced eight window screens.

Chipped and repainted three iron beds and ten chairs.

Upper section of sliding door frame in barn renewed.

**SEPTIC TANK AND LAND DRAIN** — Seven hundred feet of stone drain four feet deep and four feet wide with six inch second hand cement lined pipe laid the entire length in ten feet sections with stone pit at each section and twelve feet by eight feet dry well at end of line. Pipe and stone salvaged from town jobs. Top of drain graded as well as entrance to septic tank.

**MEN'S OLD SMOKE ROOM** — This was changed over to carpenter and paint shop and proves to be very useful.

**DRY WELLS** — Three were installed to handle water from roof conductor pipes.

**BED ROOMS** — Installed hardwood floors in two rooms. \$20.00 material.

**CONFERENCE ROOM** — Cleaned out dispensary room and expect to fit it up as guest or conferring room when privacy is wanted.

**VAULT** — Dug out under sun porch and expect to make a vault 10x14x8. \$15.00 material, spent from 1936 funds.

Clothes closet installed in maid's room. Old material used.

**MEN'S RECREATION ROOM** — The basement was dug out eighteen inches and a room approximately 30x30 was made, fitted with five double windows 4 feet high and floor thirty-six inches below outside grade, cemented with cinder bed to prevent dampness, shower bath and toilet installed, sheet rock finish on ceiling and fiber wood plaster on side walls, electric fixtures installed, barber chair, mirror, tables, chairs, books and reading matter.

Brick steps leading to outer entrance and brick steps to rear door on first floor, ramp installed to allow for wheel chair to travel to back yard. Both stairs protected from the weather with wood-

en enclosure framed, studded, tongued and grooved, rough boarding, papered and clap boarded, roof fitted with fire-resisting shingles, and finished inside with sheet rock. Window on west side to furnish light. This allows inside travel from men's room to dormitory. \$200.00 material from 1936 appropriation.

FIRE ESCAPE — Reversed so as to clear building on west side.

HEATING PLANT — Converted from steam to vacuum. Valves repacked, six renewed, ten feet of main line renewed, forty feet straightened to prevent water hammer, new relief valves installed on radiators and vacuum gauge on boiler. \$30.00 labor, \$95.00 material, increasing efficiency of heating plant.

WAGON SHED — This was an open front shed and was extended six feet in front and thirty-two feet long, clapboarded front and back, fitted with three pair of garage doors and milk house door, one space used to garage our new Ford truck, two spaces for farm equipment and one space for milk house. Thirty yards of regrading was required and roof was covered with second hand shingles and tar paper, building painted with two coats of paint. \$30.00 worth of lumber and doors, other material salvaged.

SIDEWALK, W. P. A. — Approximately seven hundred feet put in and driveway reinforced. Cost \$140.00 material. This will require about 3,000 yards of grading to hold and make proper landscape.

NEW EQUIPMENT — In accordance with authority granted at Town Meeting a new 1½ ton Ford truck was purchased and placed on the road in May and has been operated approximately 2,300 miles up to Dec. 31, 1936.

In order to better handle the larger amount of laundry a new electric ironer or mangle was purchased at an advantageous price.

Eleven oak arm chairs and four rocking chairs were purchased from the State Department of Correction to replace old worn out equipment.

FARM STOCK — The three cows held up in milk production which was consumed at the Infirmary (This is an accredited herd free from Bovine Tuberculosis and certified as such by Federal Authorities). Three calves were born, slaughtered and consumed at the Infirmary.

One horse lost his hoof and had to be killed last January. By hiring another and the use of the town tractor we were able to meet all necessary requirements. Four acres of grass land plowed and two acres of old, planted with winter rye.

Christmas was made more pleasant and cheerful for the inmates by gifts, visitations and entertainment from the Dean Class, Catholic Women's Club, Miss Steele's Class, Parker the florist, and Stoneham Garden Club.

In behalf of the patients I wish to thank the individuals and organizations who have helped to make them happy through their

generous donations and entertainments. I personally wish to thank your Board and other town officers for their co-operation and interest during the year.

Respectfully yours,  
WILLIAM H. ROLFE, Superintendent.

## REPORT OF BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

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To the Citizens of the Town of Stoneham :

Following please find the sixth annual report of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

In March the Bureau was organized as follows : Alton W. Estes, Chairman; Charles E. Ames, Secretary; Hugh A. Dougherty, Clerk.

In September, in accordance with the requirements of the Federal and State authorities which made it compulsory to have not more than two members of the Board of Public Welfare act as members of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance with a third interested citizen who did not hold other public office, the Bureau was reorganized as follows: Charles E. Ames, Chairman; William A. Bates, Secretary; Hugh A. Dougherty, Clerk.

This change was made coincident with changes in the law which reduced the eligible age for application from 70 to 65 years. It was anticipated that this would result in an increased number of applications, and as Mr. Estes felt that the Welfare Board should be represented by its senior members he tendered his resignation from the Bureau of Old Age Assistance which was accepted with thanks for his valued services up to that time. Notice was placed in the local press for two weeks that an appointment to this Bureau was to be made and interested parties were requested to file application. Careful consideration of all possibilities resulted in the appointment of Mr. William A. Bates of 89 Spring street to act as the third member. Mr. Bates is a retired Navy Yard employee, having held many key positions which called for the exercise of tact and judgment, and the citizens are to be congratulated on having a man of his ability and character sufficiently interested to assist in this work, which should be borne in mind is done without compensation.

For the first eight months cases were handled in about the same manner as in previous years. Applications were made to the Agent, who also acted for the Board of Public Welfare, and all clerical work was performed by the Clerk assigned to both Welfare and Old Age Assistance duties. Due to increased talk and newspaper articles of all sorts on Old Age Assistance subjects the office detail increased considerably but formal applications were accepted with only a normal increase up to September 1st when the change from 70 to 65 years became effective.

One of the Federal and State requirements was that when a town had more than 100 cases it would be obliged to conduct all Old Age business in separate quarters by an individual known as

Supervisor of the Bureau of Old Age Assistance, his duties to be similar to those performed by the Welfare Agent but to operate as a separate unit handling Old Age cases only.

Prior to September something over 60 cases were being cared for and all estimates indicated that there was no question but that more than 100 cases would require attention before the end of 1936. These facts were made known to the Finance and Advisory Board as well as the Selectmen, and with their co-operation separate quarters were provided and funds made available which allowed us to meet the Federal and State requirements, and incidentally it may be of interest to know that we were the first town to do so. Mr. Robert O'Loughlin, formerly Welfare Clerk, had demonstrated his ability to meet all requirements to handle the Supervisor's work so he was appointed as such and is performing all duties in a very creditable manner.

On January 1, 1936, there were 65 cases being cared for and at the close of December 1936 there were a total of 125, or an increase of 60 cases. The total number of applications received during 1936 was 103, 39 of which were denied aid for one reason or another, 2 were withdrawn prior to final decision of the Bureau, and 2 were rejected on account of applicants' failure to provide sufficient information for proper consideration.

All applications, either approved or rejected, are subject to supervision by the State authorities, and since the Federal Government has been contributing a portion of the expense their representatives have also been active in checking details to assure that applicants receive proper consideration.

Applicants are still allowed to have \$300.00 in cash and not more than \$2000.00 equity in property, with one exception, that if the home of the applicant carries an equity of over \$2000.00 aid can be furnished providing the applicant will place a mortgage on the property for the amount in excess of \$2,000.00 equity payable to the town on their death or subject to adjustment should conditions change prior to such time. Incidentally, the Town Counsel executed for this Bureau the first one of this kind in Middlesex County. Need is still the basis of eligibility.

From February through October the Federal Government placed in the Town Treasurer's account approximately \$8398.00 so ear-marked that this could be drawn against for general Old Age relief on proper authorization but not necessary to have a vote of the town. Practically all of this was used from February to December which made it unnecessary to use all of the \$25,000.00 voted at the town meeting. We are, therefore, leaving an unexpended balance on this account of \$5350.53.

Several other adjustments were necessary throughout the year on account of new requirements as mentioned above as well as changing conditions. In all cases thorough discussion was carried on with the Finance and Advisory Board who co-operated to

their fullest extent. Details of all itemized expenditures and receipts will be found in the Town Accountant's report.

Many of the recipients have been cared for by Dr. Blenkhorn and in his absence Dr. Devlin. Such cases as required hospital attention have been treated at the New England Sanitarium, with their usual efficiency. Ambulance service, when required, is cheerfully furnished by the Police Department.

With the more active participation of State and Federal authorities in this work and changes which are to be expected from time to time, it is only natural to expect that additional detail will be required and that larger amounts will have to be authorized to care for the increased number of recipients.

The members of the Bureau recognize their responsibilities to the citizens and will continue to handle all business and consider all applications on a fair and impartial basis and will appreciate any constructive comment that one cares to offer. We wish to thank the various town officials and individuals who have in any way assisted in our work.

CHARLES E. AMES, Chairman.  
WILLIAM A. BATES, Secretary.  
HUGH A. DOUGHERTY, Clerk.

## REPORT OF PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES

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To the Citizens of Stoneham:

Stoneham was probably the second town in the Commonwealth to establish a free Public Library supported by taxation. In 1859 a few hundred volumes were collected in an upper room of a dwelling on Main Street. To-day we have a beautiful, up-to-date library building in which a collection of 19,827 volumes is assembled for the general use of the people of the town. The Trustees are glad to report that its facilities seem to be fully appreciated. This is shown by the greatly increased circulation, the steady use of the students' room and the constant demand for reference material and assistance.

The library is a refuge for many who occupy their enforced leisure with purposeful reading, while others, less ambitious, lose themselves in what has been called the literature of escape.

With the funds at our disposal, we have endeavored to keep the library up to a high standard while considering that the tastes and demands of the reading public vary greatly. It is interesting to note that there is an increasing demand for books dealing with religion, world affairs, science, economics, education and other subjects of a serious nature.

Unfortunately it has been found necessary to keep reference books most in use by students of High School age at the desk, under the immediate supervision of the librarians. However, despite all such precautions, many valuable volumes disappear every year and the mutilation of books still continues. We sincerely wish that character training in our schools and homes could develop an unselfish thoughtfulness for the rights of others. If this could be done a real loss to all patrons of the library would be eliminated.

Praise of the valuable assistance given by the librarians in serious research work is often heard. It is our intention to accede to requests for new books which will aid in occupational and professional work.

Many attractive books have been placed in the Boys' and Girls' Room. We look forward to the time when this room and its resources will be more fully known. There is much material of real value here which has seldom, if ever, been used. We again urge parents and teachers to become better acquainted with the opportunities which are here offered to them and to the children.

This year, for the first time, the Library was included in the scheme for community lighting at Christmas time. With festoons of laurel and many colored lights, it was very beautiful and elicited much favorable comment.

As has been noted in the Librarian's report, the Library has been opened on the forenoons of school days during the years while the two platoon system has been used at the High School. This service will now be discontinued, as that system has been abolished.

The local papers have been most co-operative in printing lists of new books and other library news. During the summer "The Independent" had a special feature, "Library Loot," in which recent books of an informative nature were called to the attention of readers. A copy of "The Press" printed on paper of superior quality is presented each week for the permanent files.

The Garden Club has continued its active interest. Its members and other friends have been generous with flowers and decorations. We are especially indebted to Mr. Walter L. Houston, whose original posters have been so effectively used on special occasions.

The building and grounds are in excellent condition. No expensive repairs have been necessary.

A detailed report of the Librarian follows.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES H. CHASE, Chairman.

GEORGE A. PACKARD.

HERBERT H. RICHARDSON.

GEORGE A. HINCHCLIFFE.

EDWARD H. ADZIGIAN.

ALICE V. PEYTON, Secretary.

### Report of Librarian

To the Trustees of the Stoneham Public Library:

I present the seventy-eighth annual report of the Stoneham Public Library for the year ending December 31, 1936.

It is gratifying to report an increase in the use of the Public Library during the past year, not only over the preceding year, but over any other previous year. This increase has been not only in the circulation of books, both in the Adult Department and the Boys' and Girls' Room, but in all other uses of the Library, the use of the Reading and Reference Rooms for adults and students and questions answered over the telephone. The Library is endeavoring to meet an ever increasing demand made upon it. There is a growing demand for books on social, political and economic conditions as well as for non-fiction books in the fine arts and sciences, which all have to be of recent publication to be of value. While the increased use of the Library is very desirable, the persons in charge feel if it is to be met, the resources need to be increased. The greater use of books means the need of more books and more repairs.

#### INTER-LIBRARY LOAN

For added material that the Library is unable to supply for study purposes, it is indebted to the generosity of neighboring

public libraries as well as some private libraries and the State Division of Public Libraries. The Stoneham Public Library has also received during the past year, loans of foreign books in Armenian, Greek and Italian languages from the State Division of Public Libraries.

#### GIFTS

Gifts of books and magazines have been received during the year, which were much appreciated.

Friends of the Library have given flowers which have added much to its attractiveness.

The Stoneham Garden Club has continued to exhibit specimen flowers from members' gardens from early spring to late autumn.

#### EXHIBITION CASES

The Library welcomes the loan of any interesting exhibit. Those creating the most interest during the year were:

An exhibition of colored pictures and specimen minerals from Yellowstone Park, which were acquired by Mr. Ray Barnes, a Stoneham resident, during a recent trip; a collection of very fine enlarged photographs of local scenes, many in the Middlesex Fells, by Mr. John Preston; a display of samplers by Mrs. Charlena Lamson and Miss Alice V. Peyton, showing the fine needlework of children of an earlier day.

#### BOYS' AND GIRLS' ROOM

The morning hours from 10.00 A. M. -12.00 M. each school day have been continued through the year with an increased attendance. This service was given to assist the Junior High School students in reference work as their school hours made it difficult to use either the School or Public Library. These morning hours will be discontinued as soon as the two platoon system is abolished.

During the year collections of books have been loaned to the grade and parochial schools.

A Story Hour was held one afternoon each week through the summer. One of the stories was illustrated by very lifelike pictures, painted by Mr. Walter L. Houston, a local graduate art student. The Library is much indebted to Mr. Houston for many beautiful posters made for the Library during the past year.

"Book Week" was observed by a display of many interesting new books. On Saturday afternoon of that week stories were told by Miss Janet McHale, a High School Student, which held the attention of a group of children and book prizes were awarded to those winning the Book Guessing Contest.

#### STAFF

Martha A. Jacksen, Librarian; H. Elizabeth Symonds, Assistant Librarian; Marian W. Callanan, Children's Librarian; Phyllis Piper and Bertha Houston, Part Time Assistants.

#### AMERICAN LIBRARY ASSOCIATION FORM OF STATISTICS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1936

Name of Library ..... Stoneham Public Library

Town and State .....	Stoneham, Massachusetts
Name of Librarian .....	Martha A. Jackson
Date of Founding .....	1859
Population served (U. S. Census 1930) .....	10,060
Assessed Valuation .....	\$14,287,900

Terms of use: Free to residents of Stoneham, teachers in public schools, and by special permission to persons employed in, or guests in the town.

Number of days Library was open during the year .....	303
Number of volumes at beginning of year .....	19,170
Number of volumes added by purchase .....	1,029
Number of volumes added by gift .....	49
Number of volumes added by binding .....	2
Circulation per capita .....	9.99
Number of new borrowers registered during year .....	392
Total number of borrowers registered .....	6,817

#### 1936 STATISTICS

Total Circulation for 1936 .....	100,504
Adult Fiction .....	62,543
Adult Non-Fiction .....	14,721
Juvenile Fiction .....	17,810
Juvenile Non-Fiction .....	4,903
Foreign Books .....	180
Pictures .....	347
Total .....	100,504

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA A. JACKSON, Librarian.

#### APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

##### APPROPRIATIONS

Appropriations .....	\$8,260.00
Received from Funds .....	889.62
	————— \$9,149.62

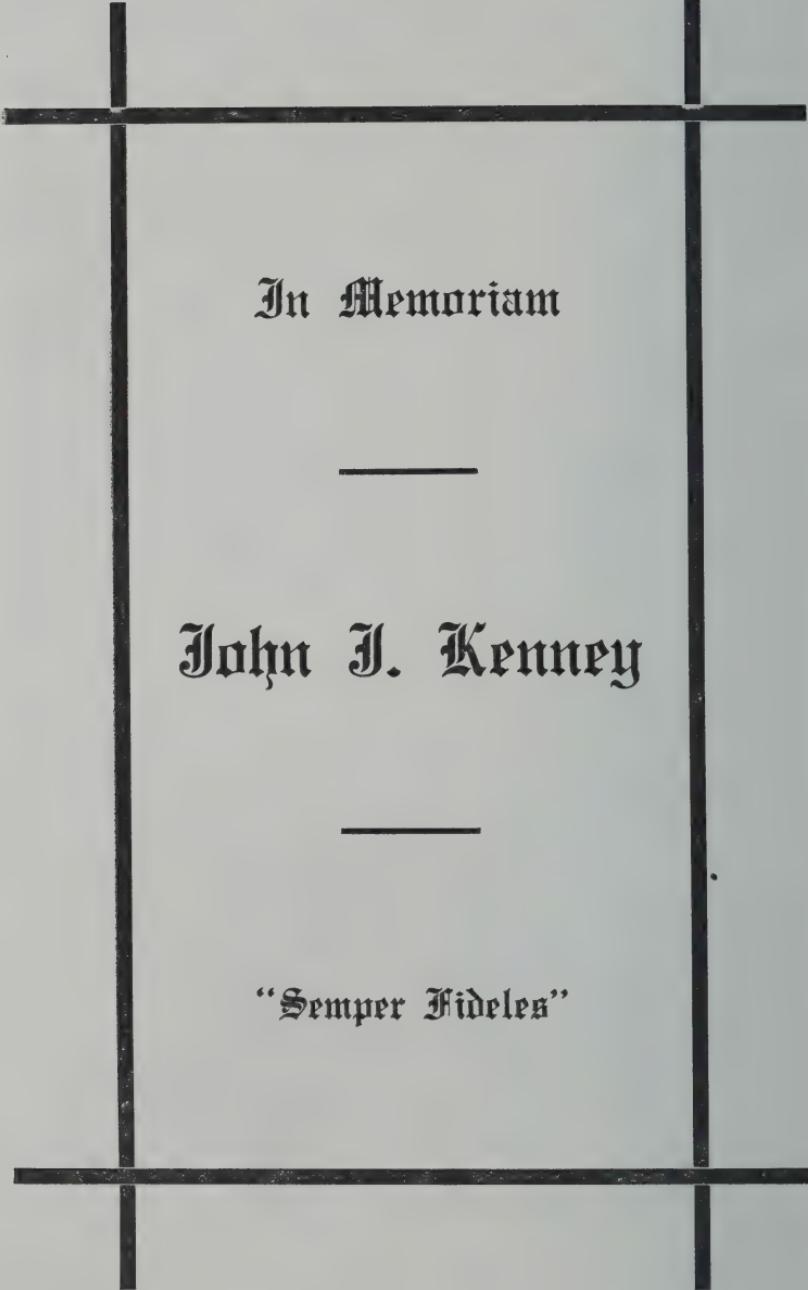
##### EXPENDITURES

Salaries, Librarian and Assistants .....	\$4,469.81
Janitors .....	1,055.32
Books .....	1,574.11
Periodicals .....	250.31
Binding .....	519.22
Stationery, Printing, etc. .....	130.07
Telephone .....	73.57
Repairs .....	126.04
Miscellaneous Building Expenses .....	77.67
Fuel .....	455.98
Lighting .....	364.97
Miscellaneous .....	52.55
	————— \$9,149.62

## REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Buildings .....	\$ 9,997,450.00
Land .....	3,430,900.00
Total .....	\$ 13,428,350.00
Personal Property .....	859,550.00
	<b>\$ 14,287,900.00</b>
DEBITS	
Town Grant .....	\$ 591,656.30
State Tax .....	22,000.00
County Tax .....	21,780.71
Charles River Basin .....	1,464.82
Metropolitan Parks .....	5,784.20
Metropolitan Parks, Series No. 2 .....	750.93
Metropolitan Parks, Nantasket .....	335.19
Metropolitan Parks, Planning .....	46.98
Metropolitan Parks, Sewer, North System .....	8,056.00
Metropolitan Parks, Water .....	30,418.08
Wellington Bridge .....	12.87
Wellington Bridge, Special .....	380.94
Smoke Abatement .....	145.18
Auditing Municipal Accounts .....	171.62
Hospital Care for Civil War Veterans or Their Widows .....	624.00
Land Taking Revere Highway .....	38.91
Ocean Avenue, Revere .....	31.79
West Roxbury, Brookline Highway .....	7.59
1932 Overlay Deficit .....	97.44
Overlays for 1936 .....	4,338.73
	<b>\$ 688,142.28</b>
CREDITS	
Income Tax .....	\$ 32,850.36
Corporation Tax .....	4,420.91
Race Tracks Distribution .....	770.00
Estimated Receipts .....	124,182.73
Poll Taxes .....	6,560.00
From E. & D. Account .....	10,000.00
Emergency Finance .....	20,000.00
Overlay Reserve .....	15,000.00
	<b>\$ 213,784.00</b>

TOTAL	
Debits .....	\$ 688,142.28
Credits .....	213,784.00
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Amount to Raise .....	474,358.28
Valuation .....	14,287,900.00
Tax Rate .....	33.20
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BETTERMENT ASSESSMENTS	
Street .....	\$ 2,123.57
Sidewalk .....	153.69
Sewer .....	3,928.77
Moths .....	1,496.35
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Water Liens .....	\$ 7,702.38
Total amount of all Taxes listed in the Collector's Commitment .....	\$ 483,966.51
Population .....	10,865
Valuation Per Capita .....	\$1,315.00
Number of Horses .....	38
Number of Cows .....	234
Number of Swine .....	322
Number of Dwelling Houses .....	2,313
Number of Acres of Land .....	2,471
Number of Fowl .....	2,650
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AUTOMOBILES	
Number of Cars Registered .....	3,020
Total Value of Cars .....	\$646,420.00
Taxes .....	18,054.40
Abatements Granted .....	1,141.70
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Mr. John J. Kenney, Chairman of the Board, died on December 24, 1936. His service on the Board of Assessors covered 14 years. It was a service rich in character, high in efficiency and humble in performance.	
It may well be said that in the passing of Mr. Kenney our Town has sustained a distinctive loss.	
LAWRENCE E. DOUCETT, PETER L. McCARTY, Assessors. HARRY A. WILLIAMS, Clerk.	



In Memoriam

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John J. Kenney

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"Semper Fideles"

## BIRTHS

Date	Name	Residence	Parents
Jan.			
1	Merritt Winters Skidmore, Jr.	Reading	Merritt W. and Dorothy M.
3	Joan Carolyn Riley	Melrose	Herbert F. and Mary T.
4	Judith Ethel Lamb	Stoneham	Floyd J. and Pearl C.
5			
6	Robert Ray Horan	Stoneham	George H. and Rosella M.
7	Carolyn MacLaren	Wakefield	Joseph D. and Glendine J.
7	Sandra Gail Keith	Stoneham	Frederick L. and Florence J.
8	Janet Ruby Christie	Medford	Richard C. and Frances E.
8	Charles Henry Cook	Winthrop	Erland B. and Florence L.
10	Constance Virginia Spadafora	Everett	Guy J. and Mary
13	Reinhardt Becker	Wakefield	Edmund J. and Margaretha C.
14	Mary Florence McLaughlin	Stoneham	George B. and Florence M.
14	Richard Lee Child	Medford	Edgar D. and Margaret B.
16	James Joseph McDermott, Jr.	Stoneham	James J. and Mary E.
17	Keith Walter MacGillivray	Stoneham	John A. L. and Viola B.
19			
20			
22	Donald William Vining	Stoneham	Philip B. and Louise
22	Janet Audrey Marks	Stoneham	Leo J. and Stella M.
23	Cyril Arthur Bright	Malden	Cyril A. and Beatrice W.
23	Virginia Dorothy Hermann	Stoneham	Frederick H. and Virginia L.
23	Patricia Carol DePaola	Malden	William and Winifred L.
25	John Thomas Wingate	Stoneham	Fred E. and Lillie E.
26	Margaret Patricia Gerety	Everett	William H. and Beatrice M.
27	Veronica Ann Quinn	Stoneham	Alexander J. and Delia
28	Joanne Helen McKenna	Stoneham	Charles H. and Mary L.
30	Eleanor Alice Zarella	Malden	Joseph and Lillian A.
30	Joan Irene Flannigan	Stoneham	Howard S. and Fannie L.
30	George Horn, Jr.	Malden	George and Bessie G.
30	Christine Frances Cusclanotta	Malden	Frank and Catherine

## BIRTHS

Date	Name	Residence	Parents
Feb. 1	Maurice Josiah Titcomb	Stoneham	Maurice A. and Helen A.
2	Daniel Gerard Buckley	Medford	Daniel J. and Helen M.
5	Jean Ann Garry	Stoneham	William M. F. and Blanche
6	Elmer Daniel Brown, Jr.	Wakefield	Elmer D. and Helen
6	Janet Stiles	Stoneham	Russell L., Jr., and Harriet M.
6	Kenneth Augustus Chicchetti	Revere	Augustus and Edith
8	Donald Edward Flynn	Stoneham	Thomas F. and Georgiana M.
8	Richard Collette Johnson	Winthrop	Thomas E. and Doris L.
9	Elaine Ann Brooks	Malden	Henry and Lillian
10	Jackson Cipa Hyman	Somerville	Gaetano T. and Audrey M.
10	Alan Henry Buttaro	Malden	Norman F. and Mary R.
12	Norma Anne Myles	Malden	David and Edith
12	Toby Fay Brickman	Malden	David and Edith
12	Ronna Jo Brickman	Reading	Victor E. and Margaret A.
14	Donald Herridge Pitkin	Wakefield	Leonard F. and Mary L.
15	Janice Louise Meuse	Stoneham	Martin M. and Helena G.
16	Elizabeth Ann Jordan	Somerville	Archie H. and Maud
16	Beverly Weston Campbell	Malden	Daniel A. and Hazel M.
16	Patricia Lorraine Puleo	Wakefield	Michael and Bridget
16	Anna Theresa Conway	Chelsea	Russell W. and Helen C.
20	Richard Stowe Maccabe	Chelsea	Charles and Frances
20	Vincent John Montesano-Melli	Wakefield	Arcangelo N. and Filomina
20	Nicholas Antonio Roberto	Malden	Walter C. and Mildred I.
21	Shirley Irene Rowell	Peabody	Charles H. and Alice LeG.
21	Georgina Alice Gallant	Stoneham	William C. and Dorothy M.
22	Janet Ann Chase	Stoneham	Thomas and Grace F.
23	Thomas Benjamin McDermott	Stoneham	Herman L. and Caroline M.
24	Robert Jackson Ellis	Malden	William P. and Marie E.
25	Rose Marie Spadafora		

25	Josephine Bonanno	Malden	Frank A. and Anna B.
27	Eivira Manzi	Malden	Pasquale B. and Mary P.
28	Francis David Hegarty	Stoneham	Robert E. and Ruth I.
29	Betty Jane Sellon	Arlington	Arthur C., Jr., and Marjorie V.
Mar.			
1	Ralph Canning Stevens	Stoneham	Paul A. and M. Winnifred
1	Shirley Jean Hadley	Stoneham	Frederick A. and Mary E.
4	Michael Anthony Marino	Malden	William and Catherine L.
4	Janeta Andon	Everett	Anastos and Thomaidha
4	Charles Andon	Everett	Anastos and Thomaidha
5	Lorraine Mary Botticelli	Malden	Domenic T. and Rose M.
6	John Stephen McCarthy	Melrose	Daniel J. and Mary M.
6	Lee Carleton Brewer	Wakefield	Murray and Ruth C.
7	Lester Gordon Crawford, Jr.	Malden	Lester G. and Mary A.
8	Albert Tashian	Stoneham	Albert C. and Mary
10	Richard James Hodson	Stoneham	James C. and Marie F.
11	Jane Chisholm	Stoneham	Ronald M. and Mary E.
14	John Joseph Valcour	Medford	Henry C. and Gertrude P.
15	Reita Frances Mahoney	Malden	Cornelius J. and Frances R.
15	George Nelson Savard, Jr.	Stoneham	George N. and Irene K.
16	Charlene Georgia Powell	Athol	Ernest W. and Myrtle I.
17	Bruce Reymar Beyeler	Stoneham	Walter and Elizabeth M.
19	Harold Joseph Ellis	Stoneham	Wilfred E. and Mabel A.
21	Nancy Ellen Scammon	Boston	Lawrence W. and Ora M.
21	Thomas William Baldwin	Medford	Arthur W. and Gladys M.
22	Malcolm Kenneth Dunkar, Jr.	Malden	Malcolm K. and Mabel
28	Robert Modesto Colasantti	Stoneham	Aurelio and Helen M.
28	Thomas Peter Salvage	Stoneham	Harold S. and Catherine H.
28	Paul Alfred Salvage	Medford	Harold S. and Catherine H.
29	Carole March Duncan	Stoneham	Ordway and Buena B.
29	Shirley Janet Lamb	Stoneham	James H. and Annie E.
30	Dorothy Elizabeth Colburn	Arlington	Kenneth W. and Dorothy G.
31	Shirley Marie Dibbern	Stoneham	William C. and Arline M.
31	Barbara Ann Emmons	Stoneham	Robert and Josephine T.

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Name	Date	Residence	Parents
31 Irene Vaughan Atkinson	April 1	Stoneham	Charles H. and Gertrude I.
31 Dorothy Ann Costa	1	Stoneham	John E. and Anna J.
31 Audrey Ruth Moornhouse	2	Wakefield	Walter E. and Emily M.
31 Marjorie Evelyn Nugent	3	Seekonk	John F. and Mabel P.
	4	Somerville	
	5	Stoneham	Norman W. and Delia
	6	Stoneham	James M. and Eleanor V.
	7	Malden	Everett R. and Alice M.
	8	Malden	Guiseppe and Carmela
	9	Malden	Earlon L. and Marion L.
	10	Malden	George H. and Mildred E.
	11	Malden	Guy and Anna
	12	Melrose	Herbert C. and Katherine M.
	13	Stoneham	Thomas P. and Ruth E.
	14	Stoneham	Lewis H. and Mildred J.
	15	Malden	Gustave A. and Marian
	16	Malden	Douglas H. and Hilda
	17	Apponaug, R. I.	Gerald A. and Bertha
	18	Stoneham	Winthrop A. and Marjorie R.
	19	Stoneham	
	20	Stoneham	Eugene A. and Gertrude E.
	21	Revere	Gerald R. and Myrtle A.
	22	Apponaug, R. I.	Alfred A. and Mary L.
	23	Stoneham	Michael and Elizabeth C.
	24	Medford	Horace R. and Vida
	25	Boston	Wallace E. and Anne G.
	26	Everett	Earl H. and Barbara
	27	Revere	Joseph A. and Helen E.
	28	Stoneham	Max and Goldie
	29	Revere	Leslie B. and Dorothy I.
	30	Stoneham	
	31	MacMurdo	

24	Janice Elaine Richardson	Reading	Jason E. and Elsa L.
25	Robert Earl Norden	Stoneham	Paul J. and Mary C.
25	Judith Elizabeth Clark	Stoneham	Joel E. and Virginia
26	Arnold Lewis Jolley	Stoneham	Alton L. and Dorothy A.
26	Margaret Ann Duffy	Stoneham	Henry J. and Dorothy M.
27	Elliot Leonard Bloomborg	Lexington	Morris M. and Irene A.
28			
29	Donald John Doucette	Melrose	John J. and Cecelia F.
30	Bruce Davidson	Malden	William J. and Katherine S.
May			
1	Joanne Barbara Barney	Stoneham	Joseph T. and Bessie B.
1	Ralph William Larson, Jr.	Melrose	Ralph W. and Elizabeth J.
2	Sylvia Edith Finlayson	Medford	Richard M. and Jeanette S.
2	Florence Evelyn Ray	Melrose	Charles R. and Eunice E.
3	Jacquelyn Elizabeth Steele	Stoneham	John R. B. and Marion E.
4	Patricia Dolores Frederick	Boston	Howard C. and Mary D.
4	Robert Earl Blue	Stoneham	James D. and Mary E.
5	Donald Harold Leathers	Stoneham	Jonas H. and Jean B.
6	Joseph Charles Puleo, Jr.	Medford	Joseph C. and Rose P.
6	Rosemarie Josephine Summer	Stoneham	John E. and Rose M.
7	Allen Stevens Gregg	Stoneham	James C. and Maude E.
7	Robert Stowe Benjamin	Melrose	Elmer F. and Helen
7	Eugene James Devin	Stoneham	John M. and Estelle M.
8	Charlotte Porter Bayliss	Stoneham	Willard and Violet
8	Robert Arthur Connors	Stoneham	George H. and Gertrude I.
11	Ruth Helen Pais	Needham	Anthony J. and Sarah E.
14	Donald Hodsmyth Osborne	Medford	Roy H. and Edith E.
16	Glennis Nancy Brewer	Lancaster	Thomas J. and Elizabeth
19	Irma Cecilia Crockett	Stoneham	Alfred and Irma
21	David Ahern	Stoneham	George F. and Mary E.
23	Donald Allen Thomas	Stoneham	Forrest A. and Marie E.
23	Cathrine Horner	Revere	George F. and Cathrine L.
26	Holly Virginia Pittcock	Malden	Holland and Evelyn V.

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	Name	Residence	Parents
June 26	Carol Ann Handy	Malden	Walter F. and Bernice M.
26	Francis Joseph O'Toole	Stoneham	William H. and Katherine A.
27	Lawrence Dunn	Malden	Leonard G. and Mary C.
28	Marjorie Elaine Lowe	Lexington	Oscar F. and Julia F.
29	Mary Katherine Appleton	Malden	Daniel F. and Josephine C.
29	Ramona Mary Donahue	Malden	Bernard D. and Adeline B.
31	Sandra Marie Jangro	Medford	Edmond P. and Alice V.
	Janice May Lowrey	Malden	James M. and Ada F.
	Thomas Joseph Murphy	Stoneham	Thomas J. and Winifred M.
3	Elizabeth Ann Murphy	Malden	Paul E. and Helen G.
3	Stanley Edward Austin	Malden	Edward J. and Grace W.
4	Harold Thomas Sawyer	Malden	Harold L. and Margaret M.
6	Edward Burton Teller	Malden	Julius and Anna
7	Francis Lawrence McShane, 3rd	Lynnfield	Francis L. and Florence
7	William Everett Crosby, Jr.	Stoneham	William E. and Ann G.
7	Dawn Ellen Rita Sonier	Everett	Walter F. and Doris R.
9	Richard David Wood	Stoneham	Stanley D. and Evelyn T.
9	Richard Peter Santos	Malden	Raul L. and Lucinda
9	Norman Alfred Dakin, Jr.	Arlington	Norman A. and Julia R.
11	Margaret Mary Burke	Stoneham	Francis E. and Alwilda M.
12	Donna Louise Frano	Stoneham	Edward G. and Madeline F.
12	Anne Marie Ahern	Woburn	John J. and Viola E.
15	Jackson Dana Pease	Stoneham	Ivan R. and Madalyn L.
18	Barbara Elizabeth Gerrior	Melrose	Medord J. and Florence E.
18	Elizabeth Louise Leonard	Stoneham	George A. and Marie A.
18	Robert Anthony Desano	Stoneham	Anthony F. and Mary D.
18	Richard Joseph Desano	Stoneham	Anthony F. and Mary D.
20	Albert Claud MacNaught	Stoneham	Bruce and Muriel
20	June Eleanor Burgess	Stoneham	Paul F. and Anna M. E.
21	Brenda Lorraine Prive	Stoneham	Andrew L. and Mary M.

22	Donald Flint Goldsworthy	Alexander and Bernice E.
23	Robert Turnquist	Elmer A. and Dorothy M.
23	Richard John Walsh	Daniel F. and Louise A.
24	Robert Joseph DeVoeau	George W. and Jennie
25	Dorothy Ann Heywood	Paul H. and Ann
26	Jacqueline Mae McCleary	Alfred R. and Edna M.
26	Betty Eleanor Ford	Ernest I. and Ruth E.
27	George Joseph Mancini	George and Mary
28	Robert Leo Kelley	John E. and Marion E.
28		James and Alice M.
29	John Albert Farrow	Stanley F. and Dorothy A.
29	Stanley Fielding Maxwell, Jr.	Charles F. and Olive D.
30	Roy Bonus Melcher	
July		
5	Carol Marie Riley	John B. and Mary A.
5	Anne Loretta Smith	William T. and Mary M.
5	Shirley Laura Forrest	George E. and Gertrude O.
6	David Allen Brock	Herbert J., Jr., and Margaret M.
6	Betsy Anne Batchelder	Dana E. and Edith M.
7	Elizabeth Frances Henry	Henry S. and Hilda M.
7	Carol Washburn	Dale E. and Eleanor H.
8	Giovanni Salvatore Gigante	Giovanni and Scolastica
8	Janice Lucile Moores	Clarence D. and Velma J.
8	Jeremiah John Mahoney	James F. and Lulu A.
8	Frederick Edward Harding	William H. and Alice E.
9	Nicholas Arcangelo Trinchetta, Jr.	Nicholas and Rose
11		Phillip J. and Grayce G.
12	William Bruce Murray	Donald M. and Natalie O.
16	Don Frederick Preiffer	Max R. and Lillian I.
17	Anne Hanright	Hubert H. and Margaret M.
17	Charles Edward Chase	James I. and Mary A.
18		Wilbur L. and Eva C.
19	Wilbur Loring Bruce, Jr.	Arthur L. and Marguerite O.
22	Richard Spofford	Medford

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Name	Date	Residence	Parents
William Lester Bishop	23	Hardwick	William E. and Doria M.
Dorothy Dean Lyon	26	Medford	William H. and Effie S.
Alfred William Muse	27	Stoneham	Clifford H. and Martha M.
James Louis Stewart	28	Everett	Robert C. and Josephine C.
Martha Louise Harrington	29	Stoneham	Arthur V. and Esther L.
Teresa Roberta Roberts	29	Everett	Antonio J. and Agatha M.
Priscilla Ann Marshall	30	Melrose	Kenneth S. and Ebba T.
Carl Herbert Gylfpe, Jr.	31	Melrose	Carl H. and Signe M.
Arvid Donald Moberger	Aug. 1	Melrose	Arvid F. and Marion W.
Philip Glidden Corbett	2	Stoneham	Bernard and Sarah J.
John Thomas Flanagan	2	Melrose	Hugh J. B. and Greta M.
Clifford George Chubbuck	3	Melrose	Rayford G. and Florence M.
Paul Fredrick Leslie	3	Stoneham	George E. and Marion
Valeda Garceau	5	Clinton	Joseph and Rita J.
David Keltton Gebow	7	Stoneham	Arthur H. and Dorothy M.
Carol Lee MacDonald	7	Stoneham	Curtis G. and Evelyn B.
Sandra Wardwell	9	Stoneham	Leonard A. and Thora H.
Lillian Ruth Peterson	9	Woburn	Axel B. and Ruth L.
Frank Bedford Dunphy, II	10	Stoneham	Walter N. and Gertrude M. G.
Joseph George Cara Donna, Jr.	12	Medford	Joseph G. and Helen R.
Joan Rafferty	12	Stoneham	James F. and Lillian M.
John Joseph Hickey, Jr.	14	Stoneham	John J. and Vera T.
Cynthia Ann Hughes	14	Melrose	George and Doris E.
Carl Richard Barnaby	15	Everett	Arthur F. and Avis I.
Arthur Ernest Busi	15	Boston	Arthur S. and Helen A.
James Oliver Rutherford	17	Stoneham	Oliver and Dorothy
Carol Ann Zeininger	20	Melrose	Henry P. and Priscilla C.
Sandra Perkins	20	Medford	Leonard O. and Margaret A.
Daniel Francis Kelliher, Jr.	20		Daniel F. and Marion L.

22	Sandra Eileen O'Dowd	James F. and Alice M.
24	Robert John Butler, Jr.	Robert J. and Alice G.
25	Robert Joseph Morris	Joseph and Grace E.
26	Barbara Jane Dolloff	William F. and Emma
26	Mary Jessie Morrison	John M. and Jennie
26	Jean Russell	Gerald and Geraldine M.
27	John Joseph Mello, Jr.	John J. and Elizabeth V.
30	Doris Patricia Fields	Michael P. and Doris I.
30	Rita Ann Orrill	Howard P. and Helen R.
31	Edward Russell Stiles	Earl M. and Edith B.
Sept.		
1	Roger Frederic Rouillard	Herbert and Elizabeth I.
3	Ronald Ainsley Robinson, Jr.	Ronald A. and Mildred L.
5	Elizabeth Treacy	Andrew J. and Lillian E.
5	Alice Grace Notarangeli	Vincent M. and Grace E.
5	Theresa Madeline Heffron	Francis H. and Elizabeth R.
6	John Douglas McLatchy	Edmund H. and Anne J.
7		
8	Thomas Bernard Nealon	Thomas B. and Emma P.
8	Ralph Francis Cataldo	Francis A. and Lucy
11	John Norman Beaucher	John B. and Anna G.
12	William Leighton Davis	Clarence O. and Marjorie N.
13	Norma Gail Proctor	Philip H. and Mildred P.
13	William Waner Ellis	John L. and Vera L.
14	Lorraine Marilyn Aubin	Joseph H. and Agnes
14	Anthony Nutile	Louis L. and Mary E.
16	Alphonso Esposito, Jr.	Alphonso and Lucy
16	Carol Florence Hogan	James E. and Marjorie G.
16	Judith Mae Hurd	Ellis A. and Mary E.
19	Jeanette Morin	Edward H. and Ellen J.
20	Francis Joseph McCarthy	Francis and Helen K.
21	Pasquale Thomas Lussiano	Thomas D. and Rose M.
23	Dorothy Edna Withers	Arthur D. and Mildred J.,

## BIRTHS

Date	Name	Residence	Parents
24	Joseph Albert Dixon, Jr.	Stoneham	Joseph A. and Mary U.
24	Bruce Kenison Hanson	Malden	Merle C. and Sarah E.
24	Gail Nicholson	Medford	Harold J. and Anna R.
25	Donald Herbert Nickerson	Stoneham	Herbert H. and Nedra E.
25	Marcia Louise Campbell	Malden	Harlan H. and Ruth H.
25	Carl Arthur Murchinson	Medford	Arthur W. and Eleanor F.
25	Geraldine Ann DeMatteo	Stoneham	Anthony J. and Margaret E.
26	Arthur Sumner Bent, Jr.	Malden	Arthur S. and Ruth F.
26	Benita Irene Brustein	Revere	Charles and Minnie
26	Claudette Elaine Philbrook	Malden	Clarence E. and Glenn M.
26	Joseph Edward Hansen	Medford	Joseph E. and Catherine M.
27	Barry Shepard Stone	Newton	Frank J. and Gladys
Oct.		Saugus	Theodore S. and Amy M.
1	Claire Patricia Harmon	Stoneham	William J., Jr., and Margaret H.
2	William Mulready	Medford	Robert and Stella M.
2	Robert Blanchette, Jr.	Revere	Harold J. and Mary M.
3	Thomas John Hawko	Malden	Emilio E. and Enrichetta M.
3	Ann Louise Tropeano	Stoneham	Alfred J. and Pearl B.
5	Dana Paul Crockford	Malden	Charles B. and Dorothy E.
8	Edward McQuillan Sheridan	Stoneham	James M. and Josephine M.
10	Linda Reid	Malden	John F. and Pauline R.
10	Patricia Anne Feeney	Wakefield	James E. and Stacia
12	Cynthia Loraine Ferris	Melrose	John J. and Beatrice V.
13	John Francis Canby	Wakefield	David J. and Marjorie E.
15	David Abbott Stone	Stoneham	Paul B. and Florence M.
16	Robert Hollander Sheldon	Stoneham	Harry F. and Jeanette M.
16	Pauline Diane Kinsella	Stoneham	John E. and Elizabeth S.
22	Judith Bertwell	Stoneham	Earle F. and Mary J.
22	Robert Earle Potter	Stoneham	Paul C. and Dorothy M.
23	David TobeY Corum	Medford	John and Anna J.
24	Helen Elizabeth Esson		

25	Eleanor Ruth Leonard	Malden	Victor B. and Helen E.
25	Edward Herbert Fowler	Melrose	Herbert S. and Helen M.
25	Howard Richard Fowler	Melrose	Herbert S. and Helen M.
26	John Lewis Neiss	Stoneham	John L. and Rose L.
27	Robert James Davidson	Somerville	Charles J. and Florence M.
28	Philip Roger Richard	Stoneham	Joseph P. and Ethel
28	Rosemarie Clement	Malden	John W. and Louise A.
28	James Cortese	Everett	Rudolph and Mary E.
28	Robert Ernest Swallow	Saugus	Ernest R. and Mildred E.
29	Maureen Halpin	Malden	Thomas M. and Marion E.
29	Barbara Ann Lutz	Stoneham	William F. and Loretta F.
31	Dorothy Helen Knowles	Melrose	Malcolm P. and Ruth F.
31	Calvin Squires Pratt		Ernest C. and Gladys M.
Nov.			
1	Ruth Agnes Cahill	Medford	James L. and Julia A.
2	Joan Virginia Garfield	Malden	Edwin P. and Irene E.
3	James Michael Treacy	Stoneham	William J. and Margaret A.
3	Joyce Elizabeth Thompson	Stoneham	Charles I. and Dorothy I.
3	Virginia Rose Rossetti	Everett	Nicholas R. and Virginia
3	_____ Pike	Malden	Benjamin E. and Elizabeth
4	Eleanor Lee Dunham	Malden	Vernon B. and Louise E.
5	Robert Wayne Vetromile	Stoneham	Robert and Mary M.
6	Walter Charles Sweet	Somerville	Charles H. and Grace E.
6	Janet Barbara Norton	Malden	William M. and Barbara E.
6	Doreen Evelyn Corkum	Melrose	Austin I. and Evelyn D.
8	William Edward Berry	Melrose	Myron E. and Charlotte E.
9	Judith Wilkins Fuller	Stoneham	John Fuller, Jr., and Virginia R.
9	Richard Otis Burns		Lloyd W. and Dorothy V.
13	Louis George Shanteler		Louis J. and Rita A.
_____ Stoneham			
14	Louisa, Flonda	Reading	Philippe and Rosa
15	Roger Kent Willard	Medford	Elmer B. and Eleanor F.
17	David Lawrence Sullivan	Reading	Lawrence F. and Bertha A.
17	George Gardner Frost		Edgar L. and Heloise W.

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Date	Name	Residence	Parents
17	Richard Joseph Leard	Stoneham	George W. and Merle P.
21	Nancy Marie Day	Stoneham	John J. and Mildred F.
22	Reed Gettinger Rue	Melrose	Kenneth L. and Mildred E.
22	Peter Alexander Delmonico, Jr.	Belmont	Peter A. and Fedelina C.
24	Peter Charles Brady	Stoneham	George E. and Doris L.
25	John Francis Cronin	Malden	Francis R. and Ruth E.
26	Carolyn Joyce Head	Malden	Cyril and Minnie L.
26	William Duffy	Malden	Felix H. and Ellie M.
26	David Wentworth Bennett	Medford	Carlton E. and Alice
27	Thomas Edward Lee	Stoneham	Edward P. and Helen A.
28	Catherine Kelliher	Medford	John T. and Teresa E.
28	Peter Fleming Cobleigh	Melrose	Richard F. and Dorothy E.
Dec.			
1	Paula Gordon	Malden	Max M. and Rose A.
2	Lawrence Farrahar	Malden	John M. and Emma B.
4	Robert Leonard Connors	Stoneham	Thomas and Edna V.
5	Nancy Edwina Devlin	Stoneham	Thomas P. and Edwin H.
7	Patricia Elaine Patch	Stoneham	Austin A. and Zca W.
10	Donald Arnold Russell	Medford	Hiram A. and Etta K.
10	Donna Clara Russell	Medford	Hiram A. and Dorothy M.
10	Richard John Royal	Malden	Joseph P. and Amelia L.
11	Joseph Peter Trabucco	Stoneham	Antonio and Stomalia
12	Guiseppe Fionda	Reading	William P. and Helen D.
12	Edward Allen Webb	Medford	John F. and Mary E.
16	John Eaton Woods	Stoneham	John R. and Nora M.
16	John Robert Carroll, Jr.	Stoneham	John E. and Dorothy M.
18	Bette Jean Flynn	Foxboro	Carlyle H. and Geraldine D.
20	David Carlyle Colburn	Melrose	David T. and Kathryn J.
21	Eileen Hennigan	Melrose	Ernest J., Jr., and Barbara N.
22	Ernest Joshua Cole, 3rd	Malden	Albion A. and Marie
22	Jane Forbes Stinson		

22	Joseph Cornelius Doherty	John F. and Mary A.
22	Joan Marie Dennehy	Philip N. and Grace M.
22		John J. and Helen M.
23	William Murphy	Stoneham
23	Kathryn Anne Hooper	Stoneham
24	Patricia Ann Spencer	Reading
24	Philip Austin Elson, Jr.	Stoneham
25		Stoneham
25	Miriam Eames Bean	Medford
26	Carol Lesley Hoyles	Everett
26		Medford
27	Ralph Stephen Pattelena	Everett
27	Raynor Gagnon	Melrose
27	Cynthia Abbott Watson	Arlington
28	Ralph Lincoln Tanner	Melrose
30	Sinirley Ethel Bevan	Stoneham
30		Everett
31		Woburn
		Residents 150
		Non-Residents 244
		Total 394

## DEATHS

Date	Name	Residence	Ys.	Ms.	Ds.
<b>Jan.</b>					
2	Helen Elaine DeRoche	Wakefield	2		
4	Mary Gigante	Stoneham	70	4	20
4	Mary P. Ewell	Stoneham	86	10	28
4	Grace Daniels	Stoneham	71	4	19
5			—	—	—
5	Ellen Sullivan	Stoneham	67		
9	Carolyn MacLaren	Wakefield			2
10	Mary Frances Sutherland	Stoneham	75	8	3
10	Stanley D. Woodland	Stoneham	73	4	1
11	James Blucher McCord	Boston	54	3	9
14	Edward A. Abbott	Stoneham	63	5	1
16	William Louis Weiss	Pittsburg, Pa.	43	9	24
16	Madeline Huff	Stoneham	41	6	10
17	James J. Benson	Stoneham	21	2	26
17	Etta May Roberts	Stoneham	67	10	10
19			—	—	—
19	Florence E. Harney	Boston	49	1	25
19	Bertha Janette Cummings	Stoneham	64	11	21
21	George Gretorex Roberts	So. Dennis	78	7	20
24	Margaret T. Duffy	Stoneham	70	5	
27	Katherine McDonnell	Stoneham	57		
31	Lettie Tulloch	Stoneham	78		13
<b>Feb.</b>					
2	Ruth Powell Tucker	Sudbury	37	9	5
2			—	—	—
2	Annie Field Brown	Stoneham	66	1	14
4	Annie J. Flavin	Stoneham	70		
7	Hattie Maria Rust	Keene, N. H.	62	11	2
7	Laurence Peter Cable	Stoneham	41	7	8
16	Mary Ann Cox	Melrose	88	4	13
17	Emily Townsend	Haverhill	70	11	26
17	James M. Lovejoy	Stoneham	75	3	29
19	Wendell Irving Bancroft	Stoneham	60	5	8
20	Antonio Frasco	Stoneham	69	11	12
21	William H. Qualter	Stoneham	65	2	26
25	Mary Ellen Conlon	Stoneham	90	5	19
29	Joseph Michael Panosian	Stoneham	53	11	25
29	Nicholas Badavakis	Stoneham	82		
29	Ethel York	Stoneham	61	2	1
<b>Mar.</b>					
1	Lucy Domouline	Stoneham	91	4	29
3	Florence D. Hogan	Stoneham	62	6	2
9	Betty Jane Sellon	Arlington			9
11	Sarah E. Gerry	Stoneham	71		
13	John H. Doherty	Stoneham	74		
15	Sarah Maria Harrison	Stoneham	89	3	15
15	Charles Eliphalet Cloutman	Stoneham	77	4	21
17	Abbie Elizabeth Upham	Stoneham	60	5	19
19	Thomas Kent	Stoneham	76		
23	Lucella A. Sabia	Stoneham	18	6	1
24	Marion Mary Grace	Cambridge	55	7	14
24	Henry Davis Wallace	Stoneham	95	7	15
25	Alena Mary Lang	So. Vernon, Vt.	63	2	16
28	Caroline MacDuff Patch	Stoneham	55	4	5
30	Felix McConnell	Manchester, N.H.	76	4	24
30	Frank Stowell	Stoneham	84	1	18

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Date	Name	Residence	Ys.	Ms.	Ds.
<b>Apr.</b>					
3	Anne Gertrude Rothwell	Stoneham	44	5	22
4	Elizabeth Muse	Stoneham	63	10	
5	Eileen Frances Cantalupi	Everett	2	8	26
9	Eva Mazzichelli Chirichetti	Malden	26	3	23
11	Ada Eolia Cobb	Stoneham	83	6	7
12	William Perkins	Stoneham	84	3	8
13	Blanche Ayer	Stoneham	72	2	21
14	Daniel Franklin Wheeler	Stoneham	73	10	3
18	Lena Batchelder	Boston	78	7	10
19	John Joseph Blood	Boston	37	10	19
19	Julia Jackson	Stoneham	60	3	18
21	Elsie H. Knight	Stoneham	29	3	11
24	Caroline Robinson Greenleaf	Melrose	60	3	3
25	William Edward Brooks	Stoneham	54	7	2
26	Margaret Jane Purslow	Stoneham	76		25
28					
28	Ada I. Leathers	Stoneham	74		
29	Floyd Sumner Wilkins	Cambridge	66	8	21
29	Harold Russell Donovan	Medford	42	11	10
30	Olive Mary Mahoney	Stoneham	59	7	20
30	Julia Thompson	Wakefield	76	6	10
<b>May</b>					
4	William S. Folant	Stoneham	59	3	7
4	Annie Mary McKenna	Stoneham	73	9	7
6					
7	Fivishovitz	Malden			1
8	William Francis Sanborn	Stoneham	87	9	10
9	Minnie Mann Ramey	Wakefield	71	5	26
10	Charles F. Butler	Stoneham	75	6	6
12	Marion McNaughton	Stoneham	11	9	2
12	Mary Jane MacAllister	Stoneham	83	10	2
13	Edwin Thorn	Stoneham	70	10	1
19	Jennie Ada Shaak	Medford	34	2	11
20	Gerald R. Smith	Stoneham		1	3
26	Nella Josephine Cotton	Syracuse, N. Y.	64	8	17
29	Ellen M. Quimby	Stoneham	68		
29	Annie Murphy	Stoneham	69	10	
<b>June</b>					
4	Ellen Mary Canning	Stoneham	73	6	18
8	John Johnston	Stoneham	67		20
10	Donald Stuart McNaughton	Gardiner, Me.	61	9	26
16	Annie Rafferty	Stoneham	76		21
18	Doris Estelle Pascoe	Lynnfield	36	8	18
20	Ada Alice Stevens	Melrose	69	10	28
23	Mary Allington Osgood	Stoneham	81	7	
30	Bryan Ranson Houghton	Stoneham	92	4	24
<b>July</b>					
1	Dorothea Wallace	Stoneham	4	11	
5	Wilton Lockwood Caswell	Woburn	15	7	16
7	John F. DeCaro	Stoneham	60		
11	Geishecher	Somerville			1
13	Helen Hill	Stoneham	81	3	7
14	Patrick Henry Conway	No. Andover	82		
14	Cyril Arthur Bright	Malden	32	3	6
20	John Edward Lilley	Stoneham	48	9	12
21	Mary J. Cleary	Stoneham	47	4	18

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Date	Name	Residence	Ys.	Ms.	Ds.
<b>Aug.</b>					
27	Harold E. Layman	Stoneham	36	5	1
28	Mary Ellen Foley	Soneham	79	7	2
30	Eliza Baxter Munro	Arlington	65	1	20
31	Alice Forsyth	Stoneham	63	7	24
2	Clara Mariah Spreadbury	Wakefield	61	2	2
8	Amina Parsons Munger	Stoneham	95		7
8	Carrie Josephine Loveland	Stoneham	77	4	12
11	Susie Adestia Scott	Stoneham	83	11	23
14			—	—	—
17	Arthur Ernest Burns	Stoneham	42	11	9
21	Eugene L. Cook	Stoneham	15	3	
24	Annie Agnes Twohig	Everett	53	3	11
27	Virginia Walker	Everett			
27	Augustine Robinson	Stoneham	63		
30	Patrick J. Regan	Stoneham	66		
<b>Sept.</b>					
3	Frank Jacob Howell	Stoneham	75	9	13
3	George Vernon Clarke	Stoneham	64	6	18
7	William Wallace Graham	Stoneham	76	7	5
16	Bessie Helgesen	Stoneham	74	8	7
20	Jessie Turner Wroe	Waltham	63	6	25
22	Margaret M. Paton	Stoneham	66	8	2
26	Maryette Drew	Stoneham	86	1	7
27	Louis John Bouclin	Stoneham	70	6	2
<b>Oct.</b>					
15	John F. Fallon	Stoneham	59	2	28
16	Helen Rockwell Linscott	Stoneham	50	10	29
26	Ruby G. Moulton	Stoneham	74	1	23
26	Minnie Rachel Lindsay	Melrose	60	5	17
26	Delia Taylor	Stoneham	88	1	1
27	James W. Buckle	Stoneham	64	4	12
29	Frank Rolli	Stoneham	30	6	10
<b>Nov.</b>					
3	Peter T. Dolan	Stoneham	50	6	11
5	Isabelle Margaret Lufkin	Melrose	79	3	16
10	Tremaine Parks	Stoneham	46	4	9
10	Lenora Beers White	Stoneham	74	6	6
12	Beatrice Stearns	Rumford, Me.	64	10	11
13			—	—	—
18	Agnes Belle Hoeffner	Melrose	67		7
18	Mary Lucille McEachern	Stoneham	1	7	27
26	Charles Henry Knox	Boston	95	8	11
<b>Dec.</b>					
1	Ellen P. Kelley	Stoneham	74		
1	Maria A. Flynn	Stoneham	65		
3	Fannie Carleton Wright	Stoneham	74	9	10
4	Mary Magdalene Toomy	Watertown	49	7	23
4	Delia Byron	Stoneham	76		
4	Frank Edson Osborn	Stoneham	64		
4	Mary Elizabeth West	Stoneham	52	11	7
6	Walter Charles Sweet	Stoneham		1	
9	Louis Wolfson	Watertown	65	2	5
10	Madelon Jackson	Groveland	10	10	13
11	Mary A. McIntire	Stoneham	71		
11	Catherine W. Loughlin	Stoneham	71		

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Date	Name	Residence	Ys. Ms. Ds.
14	Mary Alice Haradon	Pepperell	59 9 5
15	Charles Hazen Muzzey	Stoneham	65 7 21
20	Angela Flavan Conlan	Stoneham	28 7 25
20	Bridget E. Sullivan	Stoneham	62 10 2
22	Joan Marie Dennehy	Malden	— — 1
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31	Raphel Gallella	Stoneham	82
			Residents 113
			Non-Residents 52
			<hr/> Total 165

## MARRIAGES

Date	Married at	Name	Residence
<b>Jan.</b>			
1	Stoneham	Harry Frank Kinsella	Stoneham
		Jeanette Mary Miller	Stoneham
5	Somerville	Joseph Stanley Narkewich	Somerville
		Hazel Evelyn Warren	Stoneham
20	Stoneham	Ralph Albion Jenkins, Jr.	Stoneham
		Nancy Arnold	Kennebunk't, Me.
<b>Feb.</b>			
7	Stoneham	Louis James Shanteler	Stoneham
		Rita Alice Fournier	Stoneham
14	Stoneham	James Parker McAllister	Medford
		Barbara Anderson	Stoneham
22	Stoneham	Anthony James DeMatteo	Boston
		Margaret Eleanor Wallace	Stoneham
24	Gorham, N. H.	Arthur Symes	Stoneham
		Judwiga Skaradosky	Gorham, N. H.
<b>Mar.</b>			
1	Melrose	Herman Elliott Soule	Melrose
		Doris Elizabeth Jeffery	Stoneham
7	Stoneham	Robert Edward Carter	Manchester, N.H.
		Dorothy Elizabeth Cook	Stoneham
<b>Apr.</b>			
4	Stoneham	William Dahlgren	Stoneham
		Lillian Chase	Stoneham
11	Stoneham	Norman Robert French	Stoneham
		Alice Josephine Severance	Stoneham
11	Stoneham	Edward McQuillan Sheridan	Stoneham
		Edna Gertrude Moller	Malden
12	Stoneham	Austin Angelo Deferrari	Stoneham
		Anita Ranieri	Washington, D.C.
18	Stoneham	Norman Paulsen	Woburn
		Lois Ethel Detheridge	Stoneham
<b>May</b>			
9	Pro'idence, R.I.	Theron R'osevelt MacKenzie	Medford
		Josephine Florence Parkhill	Stoneham
20	Lynn, Mass.	Earl Stockwell Brown	Stoneham
		Mildred Marion Hudson	Lynn
23	Stoneham	Kenneth Holden Gilson	Stoneham
		Eleanor Collamore Bugbee	Stoneham
30	Stoneham	William George McDonald	Medford
		Gertrude Veronica Lindsey	Stoneham
31	Somerville	Louis Jerome Keller	Stoneham
		Kathleen Audrea Shea	Somerville
<b>June</b>			
6	Stoneham	Harry Snow Howes, Jr.	Sanford, Me.
		Helen Doris Cleveland	Stoneham
6	Stoneham	Homer Sydney Hitchins	Melrose
		Anna Marie Murphy	Stoneham
7	Medford	John Joseph Ringland	Stoneham
		Margaret Mary Butts	Medford
8	Reading	Wilfred Melvin Tyler	Stoneham
		Gladys Marian McCall	Stoneham
13	Melrose	Stanley Brown Pierce	Stoneham
		Dorothy Elizabeth Hodgson	Melrose
18	Stoneham	Earl Francis Skidmore	Reading
		Doris Evelyn Powers	Stoneham

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Date	Married at	Name	Residence
20	Farm'gton, Me.	Osborne Warren Bearse, Jr. Priscilla Henderson	Cotuit Stoneham
20	Salisbury	Bertram Edgar Hannaford Edna Frances Surette	Stoneham Reading
20	Salem, N. H.	Herbert J. M. Shafer Katherine A. Keegan	Stoneham Boston
20	Somerville	Adelbert Thomas Walton Marie Louise Thibodeau	Natick Stoneham
20	Stoneham	William Emerton Miller June Idella Yeaton	Walpole Stoneham
21	Stoneham	Sidney Wallace Allen Ethel Louise Jackson	Barre, Vt. Stoneham
23	Nashua, N. H.	Fred Martin Flora Giffin	Stoneham Stoneham
24	Stoneham	Wm. Henry Gummow, Jr. Ruth Stevens Meagher	Stoneham Stoneham
26	Medford	Hugh MacLean Florence May MacLaine	Stoneham Boston
27	Stoneham	William Clyde Martin Marjorie Gladys Trenholm	Stoneham Stoneham
27	Belmont	John Francis McHale Catherine Bridgid Foley	Stoneham Belmont
27	Stoneham	Gennaro Sagliocco Caroline Pizzano	Wakefield Stoneham
28	Stoneham	Frederick Vincent Casey Miriam Regina Pettipas	Chelsea Stoneham
28	Stoneham	Walter Joseph Murray Gladys Mae Perry	Stoneham Stoneham
28	Woburn	Chester Martin Olson Anna Josephine Almborg	Stoneham Woburn
<b>July</b>			
6	Winchester	William Thomas Riley Florence Frances Ryan	Stoneham Cambridge
8	Boston	Frank Lafayette Myers Ruth Helena Parker	Stoneham Boston
11	Stoneham	Walter Bradley Mildred Lillian Hoyt	Wakefield Stoneham
12	Stoneham	Albert Edward Cronin Mary Flaherty	Stoneham Stoneham
18	Wilmington	Wilfred Lawrence Culley Edna Almira Moe	Stoneham Stoneham
20	Stoneham	Howard Goodwin Margaret E. Howard	Reading Malden
<b>Aug.</b>			
2	Stoneham	Irving Edward Hamilton Muriel Eileen Tate	Stoneham Stoneham
2	Lowell	Charles William Burton Ruth Pollard Anderson	Waltham Stoneham
2	Stoneham	Thomas Francis Powers Ethel Marion Hume	Stoneham Stoneham
13	Stoneham	Roger Tait Blackburn Gladys Katherine Anderson	Stoneham Winchester
15	Chelsea	Norman Wilson Nickerson Gert'de Florence Fitzpatrick	Stoneham Chelsea
15	Reading	Walter Edwin Garland Marion Emily Graustein	Stoneham Reading

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Date	Married at	Name	Residence
16	Brookline	Israel Miller	Stoneham
16	Stoneham	Dorothy Yaffe	Boston
16	Stoneham	Roger Wright Lamson	Stoneham
16	Stoneham	Virginia Batchelder Hunt	Stoneham
16	Stoneham	Henry Raymond McDunnah	Stoneham
23	Woburn	Velma Leona McCashen	Stoneham
23	Woburn	John Edward McHale	Stoneham
28	Stoneham	Clara Therese Starble	Woburn
		Carl Eugene Griesman	Stoneham
		Julia Maria Morrison	Stoneham
<b>Sept.</b>			
2	Medford	Roy Dew Barr	Everett
4	Woburn	Dorothy Mildred Meister	Stoneham
4	Malden	Rollin Emanuel Johnson	Stoneham
5	Stoneham	Barbara Willianna Folsom	Woburn
5	Wakefield	Philip Manchester Clark	Stoneham
5	Sutton, N. H.	Eleanor Edith Edwards	Medford
5	Nashua, N. H.	Francis Joseph Murphy, Jr.	Medford
5	Reading	Anna O'Brien	Stoneham
5	Barre	Vincent James Messina	Stoneham
6	Stoneham	Anne Rafiel Novello	Wakefield
6	Stoneham	Henry A. Swensen, Jr.	Stoneham
6	Boston	Gladys Elizabeth Hanson	Stoneham
7	Barnstable	Henry Burbank	Stoneham
12	Meredith, N. H.	Annette E. Lane	Stoneham
13	Stoneham	Vincent Harold Cooke	Woburn
13	Boston	Mildred Edith Robinson	Stoneham
19	Stoneham	Michael Angelo Gigante	Stoneham
20	Woburn	Mary Fargnoli	Barre
20	Cambridge	John Joseph Ahern	Melrose
20	Stoneham	Eleanor Gertrude Bennett	Stoneham
20	Stoneham	Michele Salera	Stoneham
20	Boston	Jennie Minghella	Stoneham
26	Malden	Avedis Mouradian	Stoneham
		Varter Galenian	Cambridge
		Lawrence Stotz Johnston	Stoneham
		Eleanor Fredrica Pardue	Stoneham
		Charles M. Hines	Meredith, N. H.
		Helen C. Collins	Stoneham
		Warren Davis Bingham	Stoneham
		Gertrude Agnes White	Stoneham
		Michael Icek Grub	Stoneham
		Rose Katz	Boston
		Ozman Horace Sawyer	Hartford, Conn.
		Nellie Anna Gay	Ogden, Utah
		Luther Francis Yancey, Jr.	Stoneham
		Mabel Hepburn	Woburn
		Oscar Muller	Stoneham
		Julia Lamantea	Cambridge
		Charles Theodore Henshaw	Wakefield
		Helen Marie Dorn	Stoneham
		George Ervin Newhall	Stoneham
		Hester Chase Carney	Malden
<b>Oct.</b>			
3	Newport, Vt.	John Calvin Morrison, Jr.	Stoneham
		Marguerite Jessie Peabody	Newport, Vt.

## MARRIAGES

Date	Married at	Name	Residence
3	Stoneham	Gordon Stevens Pettengill	Stoneham
4	Wakefield	Muriel Althea Marsh	Stoneham
4	Malden	William Segar Coy, Jr.	Stoneham
9	Stoneham	Albertina J. Steverman	Melrose
10	Stoneham	Joseph Alfred DeAngelis	Stoneham
11	Stoneham	Dorothy Gertrude Hayes	Reading
12	Stoneham	Paul Knapp Cunningham	Stoneham
18	Waltham	Margaret May Cundy	Wakefield
24	Stoneham	Roy Vincent Blackburn	Stoneham
24	Stoneham	Helen Radford O'Brien	Stoneham
25	Stoneham	William Francis Ollis	Malden
28	Watertown	Edna Gertrude McGowen	Stoneham
29	Newton	Thomas Francis Burke	Waltham
31	Stoneham	Dorothy Hart Marr	Stoneham
Nov.		Wesley Wm. Carl Laurin	Stoneham
7	Salem, N. H.	Ruth Ella Sanderson	Waltham
15	Stoneham	William Francis Feeney	Salem
26	Salem	Mary Esther McDonough	Stoneham
26	Watertown	Charles Reuben Bailey	Revere
26	Woburn	Sarah Warren	Revere
28	Reading	Leonard Warren Thomas	Stoneham
Dec.		Alice Louise Lamb	Stoneham
3	Stoneham	Harold Percy Wilder	Wakefield
12	Stoneham	Clara Vesta Pomeroy	Stoneham
26	Stoneham	Melvin Glidden Vorbeau	Stoneham
28	Stoneham	Ruby Jean Tapper	Everett
		Victor Wood Collins	Lancaster
		Anita Agnes Gardner	Lancaster
		John James Sullivan	Revere
		Margaret Frazier	Stoneham
		Alvah Seigfred Anderson	Woburn
		Mary Edna Muse	Stoneham
		Robert Arthur Johnston	Stoneham
		Viola Lillian Mattatall	Stoneham
		Victor Donald Ferguson	Stoneham
		Stella Irene Moody	Watertown
		James Albert Nottage	Farmington, Me.
		Marguerite Murilla Connell	Stoneham
		Alfred Edward Gallella	Stoneham
		Edith Louise Moore	Reading
		Everett Lane Hale	Stoneham
		Doris Elizabeth Potter	Stoneham
		Robert Howard Geary	Somerville
		Lillian Irene Mahoney	Stoneham
		Paul Malleville Howard	Arlington
		Carolyn Lane Woodman	Wakefield
		Thomas Henry Lynch	Winchester
		Emeline Margaret Kelly	Stoneham

Total 103

## REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF LINDENWOOD CEMETERY

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To the Citizens of Stoneham:

With the aid of the E. R. A. about 450 feet of the Main Avenue from the main gate to the brook has been put in first class condition, a very much needed improvement.

All of the vacant plots in the old cemetery have been dug over to the proper depth and are now ready for sale. This work has added forty lots, containing either four or eight graves, to the cemetery. Work on the avenues and paths was continued throughout the year and are now in first class condition.

A statement of the financial condition follows:

Appropriation for Lindenwood .....	\$4,025.00
Appropriation for Old Burying Ground .....	100.00
Income from Perpetual Care .....	2,308.00
Total .....	\$6,433.00
Bills paid as per Town Accountant's Report ....	6,430.32
 Unexpended Balance .....	 \$ 2.68
<b>CEMETERY RECEIPTS</b>	
Received from Sale of Lots .....	\$ 800.00
Received from Sale of Graves .....	300.00
Received from Care of Lots .....	598.00
Received from Opening Graves .....	1,087.00
Received from Foundations .....	223.00
Received from Repairs .....	56.08
	\$3,064.08

Respectfully submitted,

FRED E. NICKERSON,  
GEORGE R. BARNSTEAD,  
CHARLES W. MESSEY,  
SIMEON C. FULLER,  
WILFRED A. SMITH,

Trustees.

## REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

Balance on hand January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 71,671.96
Total receipts for the year 1936 .....	950,459.39
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	\$1,022,131.35
Payments as per Selectmen's Warrants .....	948,455.63
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Balance on hand January 1, 1937 ..... \$ 73,675.72

Details of receipts and payments will be found in the Accountant's Report.

Respectfully submitted,

SIMEON C. FULLER, Treasurer.

## REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT

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Herewith is presented the report of the Town Accountant for the year ending December 31, 1936. The report is made in accordance with the requirements of the State System of Accounting.

Unexpended balances of appropriations turned back into the Treasury amounted to \$14,586.86.

Borrowings in Anticipation of Revenue were \$250,000.00 as compared with \$350,000.00 in 1935; \$500,000.00 in 1934 and \$499,500.00 in 1933. Of this temporary loan there is outstanding \$200,000.00 due November 6, 1937. Against this obligation are \$182,630.59 Uncollected Taxes, \$35,076.01 other accounts due the Town and \$73,675.72 in the general cash.

Unpaid bills reported to the Accountant amount to \$4,435.87.

Tax Titles held by the Town amount to \$47,106.38, against which there is a loan of \$27,701.87.

The surplus revenue (Excess and Deficiency Account), is \$40,363.16.

For the co-operation of all Town officers and departments I wish to extend my thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. OWEN, Town Accountant

### Revenue Receipts

#### From Taxes — Current year:

Real Estate Taxes .....	\$302,616.55
Personal Property Taxes .....	9,054.52
Poll Taxes .....	6,400.00
	————— \$318,071.07

#### Prior Years:

Real Estate Taxes .....	\$127,053.75
Personal Property Taxes .....	2,797.54
Poll Taxes .....	14.00
	————— \$129,865.29

#### From Commonwealth — Special State Taxes:

Income Tax .....	\$ 30,935.84
Corporation Tax .....	2,024.87
Machinery Tax .....	1,450.01
Gas and Electric Tax .....	1,495.71
Race Track Tax .....	1,062.14
	————— \$ 36,968.57

From Redemption of Tax Titles .....	\$ 15,398.57
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**From Licenses:**

Pedlars .....	\$	32.00
Junk Collectors .....		20.00
Sunday Sales .....		160.00
Pool and Bowling .....		32.00
Victuallers .....		26.00
Revolver .....		26.50
Automobile Dealers .....		60.00
Denatured Alcohol .....		9.00
Amusement .....		62.00
Taxi .....		6.00
Inn Holders .....		2.00
Intelligence Office .....		4.00
Second Hand Dealer .....		2.00
Gasoline .....		5.00
Auctioneer .....		4.00
Sale of firearms .....		2.00
Milk, Oleo, Ice Cream .....		103.50
Beauty Parlor .....		1.00
Massage .....		1.00
Bottling .....		20.00
Elevator Operators .....		7.50
Liquor (From State) .....		5,866.55
		\$ 6,452.05

**From Permits:**

Marriage .....	\$	188.00
Building Permits .....		205.00
Demolishing Permits .....		5.00
Wiring Permits .....		180.00
Plumbing Permits .....		96.00
Swine .....		3.00
		\$ 677.00

From Court Fines .....	\$	175.00
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**From Privileges:**

Motor Vehicle Excise, 1934 .....	\$	1.13
1935 .....		474.84
1936 .....		16,606.54
		\$ 17,082.51

**From Grants and Gifts:**

State — Veterans' Exemptions .....	\$	209.65
Spot Pond Tax .....		1,758.37
Federal Old Age Assistance .....		8,668.87
Pond St. resurfacing .....		3,704.00
County — Pond St. resurfacing .....		1,529.17
Dog Licenses .....		916.75
		\$ 16,786.81

**From Special Assessments:**

Moth .....	\$	1,376.80
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Sewers .....	4,278.18
Sidewalks .....	484.00
Street Betterments .....	2,157.01
	\$ 8,295.99

From Fees:

Town Clerk .....	\$ 450.00
Tax Collector .....	693.20
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....	54.20
	\$ 1,197.40

From Town Departments:

Armory Hall .....	\$ 292.50
Selectmen — Advertising .....	13.50
Board of Appeal — Hearings .....	30.00
Moth Work (State) .....	35.47
Damage to Shade Trees .....	465.00
Forestry Work .....	16.20
Dental Clinic .....	66.00
Tuberculosis Cases (State) .....	582.14
Anti-Rabic Treatment (County) .....	22.00
Contagious Diseases (State) .....	178.50
Contagious Diseases (Other Towns) ....	205.75
Sewer Connections .....	1,615.46
Highways — Miscellaneous .....	170.13
Infirmary — Board .....	448.50

Public Welfare:

Commonwealth .....	9,162.52
Cities and Towns .....	5,554.99
Individuals .....	60.45

Mothers' Aid:

Commonwealth .....	1,695.77
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Old Age Assistance:

Commonwealth .....	7,663.07
Cities and Towns .....	452.13

Soldiers' Benefits

State Aid .....	1,126.00
Military Aid .....	732.50
Soldiers' Burials .....	100.00

Schools:

Vocational Training .....	15.94
Tuition State Wards .....	3,124.61
English Speaking Classes .....	344.69
Evening School Fees .....	129.50
Books .....	35.24
Supplies .....	3.19
Telephone .....	4.10
Public Library Fines .....	268.82
High School Fire Damage .....	175.00
Killing Dogs (County) .....	31.00

Board of Survey .....	15.00
Treasurer — Cash Over .....	1,184.71
	\$ 36,020.38
<b>From Water Department:</b>	
Metered Rates .....	\$ 49,625.28
Miscellaneous .....	84.50
Demands .....	15.60
Service Connections .....	1,527.50
	\$ 51,252.88
<b>From Cemeteries:</b>	
Sale of Lots .....	\$ 800.00
Sale of Graves .....	300.00
Care of Lots .....	598.00
Opening Graves .....	1,102.00
Foundations and Repairs .....	264.08
	\$ 3,064.08
From Rent of Town Property .....	1,887.50
From Town Scales .....	29.50
From Interest — Delinquent Taxes .....	6,455.30
From Incomes of Trust Funds Used for Pur-	
poses of Gifts:	
J. W. MacDonald School Medal Fund ....	7.00
Annie H. Brown Library Building Fund	889.62
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund .....	2,308.00
	\$ 3,204.62
<b>From Municipal Loans:</b>	
Emergency Relief (Tax Titles) .....	24,900.00
From Departmental Refunds .....	754.87
Total Revenue Receipts .....	\$678,539.39

### Non-Revenue Receipts

From Anticipation of Revenue Loans .....	\$250,000.00
From Dog Licenses Collected by Town .....	1,253.40
Bottling Licenses Collected for State .....	20.00
Trust Funds Transactions .....	20,646.60
	\$271,920.00
Grand Total Receipts .....	\$950,459.39

### Expenditures for Operation and Maintenance

#### GENERAL GOVERNMENT

<b>Moderator:</b>	
James A. Munro .....	\$ 25.00
<b>Finance and Advisory Board:</b>	
Clerk Hire .....	\$ 6.00
Stationery, Printing, etc. ....	28.98
	\$ 34.98

Selectmen:

Everett C. Hunt, Selectman .....	95.00
Frederick P. Hanford, Selectman .....	95.00
William C. Gibbons, Selectman .....	95.00
Edna L. Tolman, Clerk .....	658.56
Clifford A. Price, Dog Officer .....	60.62
William H. Rolfe, Animal Inspector .....	190.00
Everett C. Hunt, Perambulating .....	30.00
Frederick P. Hanford, Perambulating ....	30.00
William C. Gibbons, Perambulating .....	30.00
Stationery and Postage .....	124.93
Printing and Advertising .....	82.05
Recording Fees .....	38.53
Office Equipment .....	85.38
Miscellaneous .....	108.31
	\$ 1,723.38

Accounting Department:

Charles A. Owen, Accountant .....	\$ 1,572.50
Printing, Stationery and Postage .....	69.32
Office Equipment .....	31.01
Clerk Hire .....	63.00
Miscellaneous .....	36.67
	\$ 1,772.50

Treasury and Collecting Department:

Simeon C. Fuller, Treas. and Collector .....	2,312.50
Clare P. Perry, Clerk .....	988.00
Other Clerk Hire .....	200.70
Stationery .....	290.99
Printing and Advertising .....	193.27
Postage .....	685.12
Recording Fees .....	178.48
Office Equipment .....	45.25
Bonds, Treasurer .....	652.50
Bonds, Deputies and Clerk .....	25.00
Miscellaneous .....	51.19
	\$ 5,623.00

Assessing Department:

John J. Kenney, Assessor .....	\$ 380.00
Lawrence E. Doucette, Assessor .....	380.00
Peter L. McCarty, Assessor .....	380.00
Harry A. Williams, Clerk .....	1,520.00
Henry D. Strail, Assistant .....	27.50
John E. Finnegan, Assistant .....	35.50
Faith E. Stocks, Assistant .....	172.50
Bessie M. Lund, Assistant .....	41.50
Stationery and Postage .....	40.03
Printing and Advertising .....	45.72
Automobile Hire .....	67.23

Real Estate Transfers .....	63.10
Street Lists .....	500.00
Miscellaneous .....	56.45
	----- \$ 3,709.53

**Other Finance Offices and Accounts:**

Certifying Notes .....	\$ 22.00
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**Law Department:**

Luther Hill, Town Counsel .....	\$ 1,140.00
Stationery, Printing, etc. .....	60.86
	----- \$ 1,200.86

**Town Clerk's Department:**

Charles A. Owen, Town Clerk .....	1,017.50
Stationery and Postage .....	94.88
Printing and Advertising .....	8.50
Miscellaneous .....	46.62
	----- \$ 1,167.50

**Elections and Registration:**

Daniel Cullinane, Registrar .....	\$ 50.00
Alice E. Fedigan, Registrar .....	50.00
Fred A. Lawson, Registrar .....	50.00
Charles A. Owen, Clerk .....	100.00
Election Officers .....	1,098.50
Meals at Elections .....	225.40
Stationery and Postage .....	47.00
Printing and Advertising .....	603.50
Loud Speaker at Town Meetings .....	90.00
Equipment .....	24.00
Clerk Hire .....	74.50
Miscellaneous .....	28.37
	----- \$ 2,441.27

**General Clerk Hire:**

Lillian Chase .....	\$ 205.80
Phyllis M. Whitney .....	782.20
	----- \$ 988.00

**Board of Appeal:**

Edna L. Tolman, Clerk .....	\$ 50.00
Advertising, Postage, etc. .....	34.75
	----- \$ 84.75

**Planning Board:**

Advertising, Stationery, etc. .....	37.20
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**Municipal Offices:**

Eugene C. Lemoine, Janitor .....	\$ 420.00
Rent .....	1,800.00
Telephone .....	413.94
Lighting .....	199.18
Miscellaneous .....	50.67
	----- \$ 2,883.79

**Armory Hall:**

George B. Williams, Janitor .....	\$ 1,330.00
Fuel .....	269.41
Light .....	146.54
Janitor's Supplies .....	52.37
Repairs .....	204.73
Liability Insurance .....	118.43
Miscellaneous .....	84.79
	----- \$ 2,206.27

**Armory Hall Repairs:**

William A. Bears, Contract .....	\$ 757.66
J. D. Cannon, Plumbing .....	32.77
Edward M. Noonan, Specifications .....	23.00
Miscellaneous .....	2.85
	----- \$ 816.28

Total General Government ..... \$ 24,736.31

**Protection of Persons and Property****Police Department:**

Captain .....	\$ 2,418.20
Sergeants .....	4,464.10
Patrolmen .....	16,938.73
Janitor and Matron .....	156.00
Equipment for Men .....	78.27
Other Equipment .....	227.27
Motor Equipment Repairs .....	424.93
Motor Equipment Operation .....	692.12
Fuel .....	169.91
Light .....	174.46
Building Maintenance .....	252.78
Printing, Stationery, Postage .....	342.76
Telephone .....	311.83
Signal System .....	145.28
Revolver Practice .....	126.87
Medical Supplies .....	33.50
Laundry Work .....	37.59
Care of Prisoners .....	54.10
Radio Repairs .....	37.39
Physician .....	21.00
Miscellaneous .....	127.13
	----- \$ 27,234.22

Police Radio Service ..... 225.00  
Police Motorcycle ..... 430.00  
Officers at School Athletic Contests ..... 115.00

**Fire Department:**

Chief .....	\$ 2,418.68
Assistant Chief .....	210.00

Permanent Men .....	11,893.84
Call Men .....	3,562.34
Equipment .....	128.69
Hose and Fittings .....	1,372.18
Repairs .....	180.78
Equipment for Men .....	206.35
Operating Expenses .....	447.08
Fuel .....	319.48
Light .....	186.33
Alarm System .....	178.67
Building Maintenance .....	212.06
Laundry Work .....	56.55
Stationery and Postage .....	22.78
Telephone .....	79.41
Office Equipment .....	59.50
Miscellaneous .....	141.76
	\$ 21,676.48
Reconstruction of Fire Alarm System .....	7,918.00
Hydrant Service .....	5,000.00
<b>Sealing of Weights and Measures:</b>	
J. Algernon Forbes, Sealer .....	\$ 225.00
Transportation .....	24.75
Miscellaneous .....	17.20
	\$ 266.95
<b>Inspector of Buildings:</b>	
Charles Baldwin, Inspector .....	\$ 855.00
Expenses .....	115.00
	\$ 970.00
<b>Inspector of Wires:</b>	
Charles Baldwin, Inspector .....	\$ 570.00
Expenses .....	85.00
	\$ 655.00
<b>Rifle Practice:</b>	
Range Rentals .....	\$ 584.50
Transportation .....	207.50
	\$ 792.00
<b>Moth Extermination:</b>	
Percival H. Wardwell, Superintendent ....	\$ 1,021.63
Labor .....	2,287.69
Printing and Telephone .....	84.65
Insecticides .....	236.42
Hardware and Tools .....	121.47
Motor Equipment Expense .....	378.81
Workmen's Compensation .....	241.57
Miscellaneous .....	41.94
	\$ 4,414.18
<b>Moth Department Truck .....</b>	<b>721.00</b>

**Planting and Trimming Trees:**

Percival H. Wardwell, Warden .....	\$ 435.00
Labor .....	1,148.94
Hardware and Tools .....	132.58
Motor Equipment Expense .....	106.58
Workmen's Compensation .....	101.34
Miscellaneous .....	34.66
	\$ 1,959.10

Total Protection of Persons and Property ..... \$ 72,376.93

**Health and Sanitation**

**Board of Health:**

Lawrence E. Doucett, Salary .....	\$ 95.00
George A. Hinchcliffe, Salary .....	95.00
Joseph H. Kerrigan, Salary .....	95.00
George A. Hinchcliffe, Health Officer ....	1,710.00
Lawrence E. Doucett, Col. of Milk Samp.	250.00
Joseph H. Kerrigan, M.D., Physician ....	200.00
William H. Rolfe, Slaughtering Inspector	10.00
David Taggart, Plumbing Inspector .....	350.00
Charles A. Owen, Agent .....	75.00
Printing, Stationery, Postage .....	156.39
Telephone .....	40.16
Office Equipment .....	30.00
Dog Clinic .....	81.46
Contagious Diseases .....	99.00
Tuberculosis .....	1,959.50
Children's Work .....	78.55
Miscellaneous .....	262.73
	\$ 5,587.79

**Dental Clinic:**

Paul R. Cyphert, Dentist .....	\$ 900.00
Supplies .....	174.77
	\$ 1,074.77

**Board of Health Nurse:**

Dorcas Ames, Nurse .....	950.00
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**Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital:**

Building Loan .....	5,000.00
Interest .....	318.75
Maintenance, etc. .....	2,405.45
	\$ 7,724.20

**Vital Statistics:**

Births, Physicians .....	\$ 68.75
Deaths, Undertakers .....	16.50
Stationery .....	9.50
	\$ 94.75

**Sewer Maintenance:**

Cornelius J. Sweeney, Superintendent ....	\$ 231.24
Labor .....	3,238.55
Tools and Equipment .....	228.85
Pipe and Fittings .....	89.03
Other Materials .....	53.00
Motor Equipment Expenses .....	29.10
Pumping Stations .....	426.12
Telephone .....	49.97
Workmen's Compensation .....	118.45
Miscellaneous .....	87.50
	————— \$ 4,551.81

**Sewer Services:**

Labor .....	\$ 928.99
Pipe and Fittings .....	262.95
Other Materials .....	50.40
Compressor .....	127.50
Workmen's Compensation .....	112.65
	————— \$ 1,482.49

**Sewer Construction:**

Labor .....	\$ 524.09
Pipe and Fittings .....	56.23
Other Materials .....	113.71
Equipment .....	2.55
	————— \$ 696.58

**Removal and Disposal of Ashes and Garbage:**

S. Rotondi & Sons, Contract, Ashes ....	\$ 2,700.00
Care of Dump .....	731.09
Workmen's Compensation .....	36.19
Henry T. Meegan, Contract, Garbage ....	1,867.14
Miscellaneous .....	15.80
	————— \$ 5,350.22

**Comfort Station:**

Labor .....	\$ 157.50
Water .....	11.50
Repairs, etc. ....	32.42
	————— \$ 201.42

**Total Health and Sanitation** ..... \$ 27,714.03**Highways****Highways, General:**

Cornelius J. Sweeney, Superintendent ....	\$ 1,618.68
John H. Gallagher, Clerk .....	818.76
Labor .....	18,023.01
Stone, Gravel, etc. ....	1,356.81
Oil, Tar, etc. ....	4,985.06
Other Materials .....	1,723.30
Equipment and Repairs .....	1,749.08
Motor Equipment Expenses .....	1,880.05

Trucks and Teams .....	532.72
Hardware, etc. ....	170.16
Office Expenses .....	106.56
Light and Heat .....	73.86
Telephone .....	155.06
Workmen's Compensation .....	829.47
Miscellaneous .....	140.91

\$ 34,163.49

#### Pond Street Resurfacing:

Labor .....	\$ 891.68
Stone, Gravel, etc. ....	671.54
Oil, Tar, etc. ....	896.09
Other Materials .....	231.50
Equipment and Repairs .....	11.13
Trucks and Teams .....	107.38
Workmen's Compensation .....	643.65

\$ 3,452.97

#### Summer Street Resurfacing:

Labor .....	\$ 4,908.78
Stone, Gravel, etc. ....	2,088.33
Oil, Tar, etc. ....	1,549.17
Other Materials .....	1,896.28
Equipment and Repairs .....	118.29
Motor Equipment Expenses .....	34.45
Trucks and Teams .....	1,188.79
Compressor Rental .....	740.00
Power Shovel Rental .....	475.00
Workmen's Compensation .....	289.25
Miscellaneous .....	107.60

\$ 13,395.94

#### Royal Street Resurfacing:

Labor .....	\$ 631.85
Stone, Gravel, etc. ....	131.70
Other Materials .....	65.24
Motor Equipment Expenses .....	29.60
Truck Hire .....	36.00

\$ 894.39

#### Sidewalks and Curbings:

Labor .....	\$ 563.19
Materials .....	476.29
Workmen's Compensation .....	27.38
Miscellaneous .....	11.00
Thomas A. Mulroney, Contract .....	1,918.90

\$ 2,996.76

#### Snow and Ice Removal:

Labor .....	\$ 4,909.30
Trucks and Teams .....	3,880.84
Equipment and Tools .....	895.12

Motor Equipment Expenses .....	127.99
Sand .....	490.86
Calcium Chloride .....	155.49
Workmen's Compensation .....	172.56
Miscellaneous .....	101.22

\$ 10,733.38

#### Street Railings:

Labor .....	\$ 267.07
Materials .....	219.75
Workmen's Compensation .....	12.68

\$ 499.50

#### Street Signs and Beacons:

Labor .....	\$ 582.13
Signs, Beacons, etc. .....	577.73
Materials .....	125.58
Repairs .....	177.80
Electric Current .....	419.75
Miscellaneous .....	66.73

\$ 1,949.66

#### Street Lighting:

Edison Electric Illuminating Co. ....	\$ 13,686.94
Public Works Truck .....	993.50

Total Highways ..... \$ 82,766.53

### Charities and Soldiers' Benefits PUBLIC WELFARE

#### Administration:

Charles E. Ames, Salary .....	\$ 95.00
Hugh A. Dougherty, Salary .....	95.00
Alton W. Estes, Salary .....	95.00
Daniel Cullinane, Agent .....	1,625.05
Robert O'Loughlin, Clerk .....	549.01
Lorimer Sargeant, Clerk .....	59.00
Paul Houghton, Clerk .....	132.99
Office Expenses .....	150.00

\$ 2,801.05

#### Town Physician:

James Blenkhorn .....	\$ 468.75
Thomas P. Devlin .....	281.25

\$ 750.00

#### Outside Relief:

Groceries and Provisions .....	\$ 12,122.99
Fuel .....	3,504.86
Board and Care .....	1,123.77
Medical Care .....	2,283.64
State Institutions .....	919.00

Clothing .....	797.30
Moving and Transportation .....	275.25
Burial Expenses .....	155.00
Rent .....	7,433.51
Paid Other Cities and Towns .....	3,951.78
Cash Grants .....	6,230.82
Miscellaneous .....	70.81

\$ 38,868.73

Mothers' Aid ..... 5,157.00

**Infirmary:**

William H. Rolfe, Superintendent .....	\$ 712.56
Gertrude Rolfe, Matron .....	712.56
Labor .....	1,052.36
Groceries and Provisions .....	2,353.76
Dry Goods and Clothing .....	156.93
Fuel and Light .....	990.84
Building Maintenance .....	751.72
Hay and Grain .....	210.15
Other Farm Expenses .....	372.70
Telephone.. .....	106.20
Medicines .....	76.29
Water .....	79.25
Farm Equipment .....	52.65
Home Equipment .....	250.49
Motor Truck Expense .....	93.46
Miscellaneous .....	41.27

\$ 8,013.19

Infirmary Truck ..... 662.41

Total Public Welfare ..... \$ 56,252.38

**OLD AGE ASSISTANCE**

**Administration:**

Daniel Cullinane, Agent .....	\$ 374.95
Robert O'Loughlin, Agent .....	125.05
Robert O'Loughlin, Clerk .....	247.00
Office Equipment .....	129.82
Stationery and Postage .....	30.00

\$ 906.82

Board and Care ..... \$ 889.54

Groceries and Fuel ..... 124.25

Paid Other Cities and Towns ..... 806.23

Cash Grants ..... 17,829.45

\$ 19,649.47

OLD AGE ASSISTANCE (FEDERAL FUNDS)

**Administration:**

Robert O'Loughlin, Agent .....	\$ 103.32
Stationery, etc. ....	101.02
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	\$ 204.34
Board and Care .....	\$ 43.66
Paid Other Cities and Towns .....	422.20
Cash Grants .....	7,916.08
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	\$ 8,381.94

Total Old Age Assistance ..... \$ 29,142.57

**State Aid:**

Civil War .....	\$ 458.00
Spanish War .....	190.00
World War .....	360.00
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	\$ 1,008.00

**Military Aid:**

World War .....	\$ 2,170.00
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**Soldiers' Relief**

Civil War:

Cash Grants .....	\$ 472.00
Medical Attendance .....	24.30
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	\$ 496.30

Spanish War:

Cash Grants .....	\$ 259.00
Fuel .....	20.90
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	\$ 279.90

World War:

Cash Grants .....	\$ 5,567.10
Fuel .....	419.36
Groceries .....	56.03
Clothing .....	10.75
Rent .....	20.00
Medicines and Medical Attendance .....	215.45
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	\$ 6,288.69

Total Soldiers' Relief ..... \$ 7,064.89

Total Charities and Soldiers' Benefits ..... \$ 95,637.84

**Schools and Library**

**General Administration:**

Charles E. Varney, Superintendent .....	\$ 3,700.00
Clerks .....	2,853.90

Printing, Stationery, Postage .....	452.65
Telephone .....	306.95
Travelling Expenses .....	600.85
School Physician .....	712.50
Attendance Officer .....	71.25
Miscellaneous .....	4.85
	\$ 8,702.95

Teachers' Salaries:

Supervisors and Special Teachers .....	\$ 20,324.49
High .....	33,632.29
Junior High .....	21,914.89
Elementary .....	39,430.31
Evening .....	549.10
	\$115,851.08

Text Books and School Room Supplies:

Books, High .....	\$ 2,360.19
Supplies, High .....	3,711.62
Books, Elementary .....	1,776.94
Supplies, Elementary .....	1,342.64
	\$ 9,181.39

Tuition Paid Other Towns .....	867.92
Transportation of Pupils .....	1,630.50

Furniture and Furnishings:

High .....	\$ 1,168.42
Elementary .....	151.31
	\$ 1,319.73

Graduation Expenses .....	171.48
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High School Maintenance:

Janitors .....	\$ 3,110.00
Fuel .....	3,447.42
Light .....	1,891.00
Repairs .....	2,802.21
Water .....	302.67
Towels, Soap, etc. .....	141.44
Janitors' Supplies .....	283.27
Miscellaneous .....	267.45
	\$ 12,245.46

Elementary Maintenance:

Janitors .....	\$ 5,177.50
Fuel .....	3,038.90
Light .....	884.37
Repairs .....	1,363.16
Towels, Soap, etc. .....	127.00

Janitors' Supplies .....	147.90
Water .....	115.15
Miscellaneous .....	148.33
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	\$ 11,002.31
Miscellaneous General Expense .....	300.99
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	\$161,273.81

Americanization School:

Supervisor .....	\$ 61.66
Teachers .....	340.18
Books .....	2.20
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	\$ 404.04

Trade Schools:

Boston .....	\$ 306.65
Medford .....	390.43
Somerville .....	15.38
Cambridge .....	6.00
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	\$ 718.46

MacDonald Fund Medals .....	7.00
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High School Alterations:

Albert P. Rounds, Contract .....	\$ 4,000.00
Leslie C. French, Architect .....	240.00
Extra Labor .....	165.71
Desks and Chairs .....	1,062.50
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	\$ 5,468.21

PUBLIC LIBRARY

Martha A. Jackson, Librarian .....	\$ 1,519.99
Assistants .....	2,949.82
Janitors .....	1,055.32
Books .....	1,574.11
Periodicals .....	250.31
Binding .....	519.22
Fuel .....	455.98
Light .....	364.97
Repairs .....	126.04
Furniture, etc. ....	20.43
Other Building Expenses .....	77.67
Printing, Stationery, etc. ....	130.07
Telephone .....	73.57
Miscellaneous .....	32.12
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	\$ 9,149.62

Total Schools and Library .....	\$177,021.14
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Recreation and Unclassified

Parks and Playgrounds:

Percival H. Wardwell, Superintendent ....	\$ 278.95
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Playground Supervisor .....	198.37
Labor .....	818.02
Equipment and Repairs .....	322.69
Automobile Equipment Expenses .....	186.40
Workmen's Compensation .....	10.79
Office Expenses .....	47.55
Miscellaneous .....	282.67
	\$ 2,145.44
Playground New Equipment: .....	399.76
Damage Claims:	
Helen A. Hutchinson .....	\$ 100.00
Frank Blood .....	116.50
	\$ 216.50
Memorial Day:	
Music .....	\$ 150.00
Grave Markers .....	21.70
Flags .....	62.50
Flowers .....	287.68
Speaker .....	25.00
Printing, etc. .....	6.26
Refreshments .....	18.00
Miscellaneous .....	25.00
	\$ 596.14
Veterans' Rent:	
United Spanish War Veterans .....	\$ 400.00
American Legion .....	400.00
	\$ 800.00
Care of Soldiers' Graves:	
Lindenwood Cemetery .....	\$ 150.00
St. Patrick's Cemetery .....	350.00
	\$ 500.00
Fire Insurance:	
Frank G. Elliott .....	4,265.00
Automobile Insurance:	
Frank G. Elliott .....	935.69
Printing Town Reports:	
Stoneham Press .....	800.00
Travel Outside the Commonwealth:	
School Department .....	\$ 148.33
Fire Department .....	18.10
Town Clerk .....	7.00
	\$ 173.43
Taxes on Town Property: .....	
	776.00
Christmas Lighting:	
W. I. Thompson and Son .....	\$ 182.06
Edison Electric Illuminating Co. .....	17.94
	\$ 200.00

Elementary School Committee .....	28.00
Total Recreation and Unclassified .....	\$ 11,835.96

### W. P. A. Expenses

#### Administration:

Horace I. Newcomb, Sponsor's Agent ....	\$ 2,080.00
Laura E. B. MacKay, Assistant .....	1,092.00
Effie E. Molter, Clerk .....	906.00
Rent .....	600.00
Telephone .....	199.05
Medical Supplies .....	100.58
Office Supplies .....	215.22
	————— \$ 5,192.85

#### Projects:

Sewing .....	\$ 321.75
Recreation .....	251.24
Public Works Garage .....	1,514.59
Wright Street Sidewalk and Wall .....	385.52
Gould Meadow .....	63.69
Highway Plans .....	39.40
Green Street Ledge .....	263.45
Meeting House Swamp Ditch .....	15.44
Shade Trees .....	192.29
Cement Sidewalks .....	2,225.65
Summer Street Wall .....	55.59
Pomeworth Street Playground .....	252.54
Pine Street Water Main .....	1,530.36
Wright Street Water Main .....	2,197.89
Warren and Hancock Streets Drain ....	51.25
Middlesex Road Drain .....	24.50
Typewriters .....	13.00
Tools and Equipment .....	880.00
Perkins Street Drain .....	1,537.74
Perkins Street Sewer .....	1,031.18
William Street Sewer .....	1,968.34
	————— \$ 14,815.41

Total .....	\$ 20,008.26
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### Enterprises and Cemeteries

#### Water Maintenance:

Cornelius J. Sweeney, Superintendent	\$ 924.96
John H. Gallagher, Clerk .....	819.00
Edna L. Tolman, Clerk .....	329.44
Stationery and Postage .....	120.86
Telephone .....	57.66
Compensation and Liability Insurance ...	305.61

Miscellaneous Office Expenses .....	21.52
Labor .....	9,511.02
Teams .....	10.69
Pipe and Fittings .....	1,167.75
Meters and Fittings .....	580.99
Other Materials .....	101.98
Freight .....	68.79
Equipment and Tools .....	677.72
Blasting, etc. .....	260.00
Motor Equipment Expense .....	770.97
Melrose and Wakefield Water .....	296.70
Miscellaneous .....	73.05
	\$ 16,098.71

Water Services:

Labor .....	\$ 811.61
Pipe and Fittings .....	942.48
Other Materials .....	103.20
Workmen's Compensation .....	27.62
Miscellaneous .....	35.47
	\$ 1,920.38

Water Mains, Extensions and Relays:

Labor .....	\$ 1,322.97
Pipe and Fittings .....	11,200.11
Other Materials .....	825.36
Freight .....	28.40
Equipment and Tools .....	941.08
Drilling and Blasting .....	1,652.10
Truck Hire .....	527.74
Motor Equipment Expenses .....	60.61
Workmen's Compensation .....	69.07
Miscellaneous .....	28.51
	\$ 16,655.95

Lindenwood Cemetery:

Labor .....	\$ 4,901.79
Loam, Seed, etc. .....	243.00
Tools .....	93.38
Flowers .....	154.00
Main Avenue Macadam .....	836.24
Workmen's Compensation .....	57.85
Miscellaneous .....	44.06
	\$ 6,330.32

Pleasant Street Cemetery:

Labor .....	100.00
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Town Scales:

Arthur O. Wheeler, Weigher .....	\$ 40.00
Rent of Land .....	1.00
	\$ 41.00

**Civic Center Property:**

Charles Baldwin, Custodian .....	\$ 101.63
Repairs .....	239.20
Fuel .....	203.84
Water .....	103.00
Insurance .....	38.15
	————— \$ 685.82

Total Enterprises and Cemeteries .....	\$ 41,832.18
Total Expenditures for Operation and Maintenance (All Departments) .....	\$553,929.18

**Interest and Maturing Debt**

**Interest:**

Anticipation of Revenue Loans .....	\$ 739.22
Municipal Relief Loan .....	645.00
Tax Title Loan .....	410.19
School Loans .....	5,100.00
Highway Loans .....	1,167.50
Sewer Loans .....	1,530.00
Water Loans .....	1,402.50
	————— \$ 10,994.41

**Debt:**

Municipal Relief Loan .....	\$ 6,500.00
Tax Title Loan .....	15,414.13
School Loans .....	16,000.00
Highway Loans .....	10,000.00
Sewer Loans .....	16,000.00
Water Loans .....	8,500.00
	————— \$ 72,414.13

Total Interest and Maturing Debt .....	\$ 83,408.54
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**Temporary Loans:**

Anticipation of Revenue .....	200,000.00
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**Agency, Trusts and Refunds**

**State Taxes and Assessments:**

State Tax .....	\$ 22,000.00
Wellington Bridge .....	376.32
Abatement of Smoke Nuisance .....	142.85
Auditing Municipal Accounts .....	171.62
Veterans' Hospital Care .....	550.25
Land Taking, Revere .....	31.90
Ocean Avenue, Revere .....	606.04
Ways in Malden, etc. ....	.61
West Roxbury-Brookline Highway .....	6.38
	————— \$ 23,885.97

**Metropolitan District Assessments:**

Metropolitan Parks .....	\$ 7,001.13
Nantasket Beach .....	373.54
Charles River Basin .....	1,426.63
Metropolitan Sewer System .....	8,129.40
Metropolitan Water System .....	26,096.96
Metropolitan Planning .....	89.56
	----- \$ 43,117.22

**County Tax:**

County Tax .....	\$ 21,647.23
Dog Tax .....	1,249.80
	----- \$ 22,897.03

Bottling Licenses Collected for State .....	20.00
Trust Funds Transactions .....	19,724.03

**Refunds:**

Taxes abated after payment .....	\$ 773.24
Excise Taxes abated after payment ....	209.64
Sewer Assessments .....	14.52
Sidewalk Assessments .....	10.00
Deposits for Sewer Services .....	270.89
Deposits for Water Services .....	195.37
	----- \$ 1,473.66

Total Agency, Trusts and Refunds .....	\$111,117.91
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**Recapitulation of Expenditures**

Departmental Expenditures .....	\$553,929.18
Interest and Maturing Debt .....	83,408.54
Temporary Loans .....	200,000.00
Agency, Trusts and Refunds .....	111,117.91
	----- \$ 948,455.63

**Cash Account**

Receipts .....	\$950,459.39
Cash Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	71,671.96
	----- \$ 1,022,131.35
Payments .....	\$948,455.63
Cash Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	73,675.72
	----- \$ 1,022,131.35

**Transfers From Reserve Fund**

Appropriation .....	\$ 15,000.00
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**Transfers:**

Elections .....	\$ 441.27
Sewer Maintenance .....	51.81
Sewer Construction .....	600.00
Care of Dump .....	19.28
Summer Street Resurfacing (1935) .....	289.25

Pond Street .....	643.65
Snow Removal .....	734.56
Street Signs and Beacons .....	449.66
Board of Public Welfare, Agent .....	125.05
Outside Relief .....	4,529.01
Old Age Assistance, Administration .....	129.82
Soldiers' Relief .....	1,075.00
Schools .....	385.00
High School Partitions .....	1,769.92
Fire Insurance .....	1,190.00
W. P. A. Administration .....	725.00
Green Street Water Main .....	1,275.00
Interest .....	394.41
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Total Transfers .....	\$ 14,827.69
Balance .....	172.31
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	\$ 15,000.00 \$ 15,000.00

### Unpaid Bills

The following bills incurred by the departments named, have been reported as unpaid up to December 31, 1936:

Board of Public Welfare .....	\$ 4,255.20
Materials used on WPA Projects .....	180.67

# BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1936

## General Accounts

ASSETS	LIABILITIES
Cash .....	\$73,675.72 Grants and Gifts (Dental Clinic) .....
Tax, 1934 .....	615.53 Sale of Lots and Graves .....
Tax, 1935 .....	28,005.80 Anticipation of Revenue Loan .....
Tax, 1936 .....	158,987.93 Overlay, 1933 .....
Poll Tax, 1936 .....	158.00 Overlay, 1934 .....
Tax Titles .....	47,106.38 Overlay, 1935 .....
Excise Tax, 1936 .....	499.51 Overlay, 1936 .....
Moth Assessments, 1934 .....	26.65 Overlay Reserve .....
Moth Assessments, 1935 .....	194.15 Excise Tax Revenue .....
Moth Assessments, 1936 .....	616.50 Moth Assessments Revenue .....
Sewer Assessments, 1934 .....	44.42 Sewer Assessments Revenue .....
Sewer Assessments, 1935 .....	373.66 Sidewalk Assessments Revenue .....
Sewer Assessments, 1936 .....	1,675.74 Betterment Assessments Revenue .....
Sidewalk Assessments, 1936 .....	77.72 Sewer Services Revenue .....
Sidewalk Assessments, 1936 (Unapportioned)	466.62 Water Services Revenue .....
Betterment Assessments, 1932 .....	278.96 Water Rates Revenue .....
Betterment Assessments, 1934 .....	22.16 Departmental Revenue .....
Betterment Assessments, 1935 .....	211.10 Reserve for Tax Titles .....
Betterment Assessments, 1936 .....	1,178.28 Excess and Deficiency .....
Sewer Services Accounts Receivable .....	543.04 Unexpended Balances .....
Water Rates, January 1932 .....	73.00 Armory Hall Repairs .....
Water Rates, July, 1932 .....	29.90 Fire Alarm System .....
Water Rates, January, 1933 .....	467.45 Moth Department Truck .....

Water Rates, July, 1933 .....	324.29	Sewer Construction .....	403.42
Water Rates, January, 1934 .....	581.58	Public Works Truck .....	6.50
Water Rates, July, 1934 .....	593.45	Pond Street .....	44.31
Water Rates, January, 1935 .....	231.20	Royal Street .....	1,005.61
Water Rates, July, 1935 .....	42.20	Infirmary Truck .....	2.59
Water Rates, January, 1936 .....	75.41	Old Age Assistance Administration (Fed.)	75.25
Water Rates, July, 1936 .....	4,701.08	Old Age Assistance (Federal) .....	7.34
Water Liens Added to Tax .....	1,149.60	High School Partitions .....	1,201.71
Water Liens Not Added to Tax .....	3,162.80	Gould Meadow Purchase .....	1.84
Water Services Accounts Receivable .....	113.15	W. P. A. Administration .....	851.70
Departmental Accounts Receivable .....	17,322.39	W. P. A. Projects .....	6,907.73
Overlay, 1930 .....	163.92	Green Street Water Main .....	1,275.00
Overlay, 1931 .....	391.96	Water Extensions .....	63.78
Overlay, 1932 .....	483.01	Dog Tax .....	3.60
Summer Street (Due from State and County)	8,106.69	Trust Funds Cash .....	950.25
		Deposits for Sewer Services .....	253.08
		Deposits for Water Services .....	274.19
		Treasurer's Cash Discrepancy .....	887.30
		Unclaimed Checks .....	33.35
			\$352,770.95
			\$352,770.95

**BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1936**  
**Debt Account**

DEBIT	CREDIT	\$
Net Funded Debt .....	\$237,701.87	
Sewer Loan, 1912 .....		\$ 1,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1927 .....		4,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1928 .....		4,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1929 .....		8,500.00
Sewer Loan, 1932 .....		4,000.00
Sewer Loan, 1933 .....		2,000.00
Junior High School Building Loan .....		49,000.00
School Loan, 1928 .....		4,000.00
School Loan, 1930 .....		56,000.00
Highway Loan, 1930 .....		8,000.00
Highway Loan, 1933 .....		2,000.00
Highway Loan, 1934 .....		15,000.00
Highway Loan, 1935 .....		6,000.00
Water Loan, 1912 .....		1,000.00
Water Loan, 1933 .....		10,000.00
Water Loan, 1935 .....		22,500.00
Municipal Relief Loan .....		13,000.00
Tax Title Loan .....		27,701.87
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		\$237,701.87

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1936  
 Deferred Revenue Accounts

DEBIT	CREDIT
Apportioned Assessments not due:	
Sewers ..... \$ 10,410.62	Sewer Assessments due 1937 ..... \$ 2,911.96
Sidewalks ..... 407.90	Sewer Assessments due 1938 ..... 2,008.99
Betterments ..... 6,861.56	Sewer Assessments due 1939 ..... 1,482.81
	Sewer Assessments due 1940 ..... 1,280.58
	Sewer Assessments due 1941 ..... 1,218.93
	Sewer Assessments due 1942 ..... 1,034.04
	Sewer Assessments due 1943 ..... 355.18
	Sewer Assessments due 1944 ..... 118.13
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1937 ..... 97.90
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1938 ..... 92.00
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1939 ..... 76.00
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1940 ..... 66.00
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1941 ..... 61.00
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1942 ..... 7.50
	Sidewalk Assessments due 1943 ..... 7.50
	Betterment Assessments due 1937 ..... 1,396.25
	Betterment Assessments due 1938 ..... 1,328.25
	Betterment Assessments due 1939 ..... 1,352.68
	Betterment Assessments due 1940 ..... 1,352.68
	Betterment Assessments due 1941 ..... 807.54
	Betterment Assessments due 1942 ..... 624.16
	\$ 17,680.08
	\$ 17,680.08

<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>Current Liabilities</b>
Cash Balance .....	\$ 73,675.72
Accounts Receivable:	
Unpaid Taxes, 1936 .....	159,145.93
Unpaid Taxes, Prior Years .....	28,621.33
	<u>187,767.26</u>
Less Overlays for Abatements .....	5,136.67
	<u>182,630.59</u>
Net Total Collectable Taxes .....	499.51
Unpaid Excise Taxes .....	837.30
Unpaid Moth Assessments .....	2,093.82
Unpaid Sewer Assessments .....	544.34
Unpaid Sidewalk Assessments .....	1,690.50
Unpaid Betterment Assessments .....	11,431.96
Unpaid Water Rates .....	543.04
Due on Sewer Services .....	113.15
Due on Water Services .....	2,053.00
Due on State and Military Aid .....	13,329.18
Due on Public Welfare Bills .....	1,940.21
Due on Old Age Assistance Bills .....	47,106.38
Tax Titles held by Town .....	8,106.69
Due on Summer Street Resurfacing .....	1,038.89
Overlay Overdrafts .....	<u>\$347,634.28</u>
Total Current Assets .....	<u>\$201,447.92</u>
	<b>RESERVES AND FUNDS</b>
	Appropriation Balances Unexpended .....
	Overlay Reserve .....
	Reserve Against Uncollected Accounts .....
	Reserve Against Tax Titles .....
	Gift (Dental Clinic) .....
	Sale of Lots and Graves (Held for Extension of Cemetery) .....
	Total Reserves and Funds .....
	Trust Funds Cash .....
	Dog Tax Due County .....
	<u>\$104,869.35</u>
	<u>950.25</u>
	<u>3.60</u>
	<u>\$307,271.12</u>
	Grand Total Liabilities and Reserves .....
	Surplus of Assets Over Liabilities .....
	40,363.16
	<u>\$347,634.28</u>
Total Current Liabilities .....	<u>\$347,634.28</u>

## APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

	Appropriation	Additions	Expended	Balances
<b>General Government :</b>				
Moderator .....	\$ 25.00	\$	\$ 25.00	\$ 15.02
Finance and Advisory Board .....	50.00			34.98
Selectmen, Salaries .....	285.00			285.00
Selectmen, Miscellaneous .....	1,600.00			1,438.38
Accounting Department .....	1,772.50			1,772.50
Treasurer and Collector, Salary .....	2,312.50			2,312.50
Treasurer and Collector, Expenses .....	2,658.00			2,658.00
Treasurer and Collector, Bonds .....	655.50			652.50
Assessors, Salaries .....	1,140.00			1,140.00
Assessors, Clerk .....	1,520.00			1,520.00
Assistant Assessors .....	300.00			23.00
Street Lists .....	500.00			500.00
Assessors, Expenses .....	500.00			272.53
Other Finance Accounts .....	100.00			22.00
Legal Department .....	1,340.00			78.00
Town Clerk, Salary .....	1,017.50			1,200.86
Town Clery, Expenses .....	150.00			1,017.50
Elections and Registration .....	2,000.00	R 441.27	150.00	2,441.27
General Clerk Hire .....	988.00			988.00
Board of Appeal .....				84.75
Planning Board .....	50.00			37.20
Municipal Offices .....	3,000.00			2,883.79
Armory Hall .....	2,280.00			2,206.27
Armory Hall Repairs .....	1,000.00			816.28
	<hr/> \$25,344.00	<hr/> \$441.27	<hr/> \$24,736.31	<hr/> \$1,048.96

## APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

### Protection of Persons and Property :

Police Department .....	\$27,240.00						
Police Radio Service .....	300.00						\$ 5.78
Police Motorcycle .....	430.00						75.00
Officers at Athletic Contests .....	125.00						10.00
Fire Department .....	21,652.00	A	\$27.71				21,676.48
Reconstruction of Alarm System .....	8,000.00						7,918.00
Hydrant Service .....	5,000.00						5,000.00
Rifle Practice .....	800.00						792.00
Sealing of Weights and Measures .....	300.00						266.95
Inspection of Buildings .....	970.00						970.00
Inspection of Wires .....	655.00						655.00
Moth Suppression .....	4,488.00						4,414.18
Moth Department Truck .....	740.00						721.00
Tree Warden, Salary .....	435.00						435.00
Shade Trees .....	1,526.00						1,524.10
							1.90
							<hr/>
							\$311.78
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							\$72,376.93
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							\$27.71
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							\$72,661.00

Health and Sanitation:

Board of Health, Salaries .....	\$ 285.00		\$ 285.00
Health Officer .....	1,710.00		1,710.00
Board of Health, General .....	6,100.00		3,592.79
Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital .....	7,724.20		7,724.20
Vital Statistics .....	100.00		94.75
Dental Clinic .....	1,100.00		1,074.77
Board of Health Nurse .....	950.00		950.00
Sewer Maintenance .....	4,500.00		4,551.81
Sewer Services .....	1,500.00		1,482.49
Sewer Construction .....	500.00	R	600.00
Disposal of Ashes .....	2,700.00	R	2,700.00
Care of Dump .....	748.00	R	19.28
Disposal of Garbage .....	1,900.00	R	1,882.94
Comfort Station .....	225.00		201.42
	\$30,042.20		\$671.09
			\$27,714.03
			\$2,999.26
<b>Highways :</b>			
Highways, General .....	\$34,167.00	A	\$13.40
Public Works Truck .....	1,000.00	S	5,203.17
Pond Street Resurfacing .....		R	643.65
		R	289.25
Summer Street Resurfacing (1935) .....	5,000.00		5,832.50
Summer Street Resurfacing (1936) .....	1,900.00		289.25
Royal Street Resurfacing .....	3,000.00		13,106.69
Sidewalks and Edgestones .....	10,000.00	R	894.39
Snow Removal .....	1,500.00	R	2,996.76
Street Signs and Beacons .....	500.00	R	10,733.38
Street Railings .....	14,500.00	R	1,949.66
Street Lighting .....			499.50
			13,686.94
	\$71,567.00		\$7,363.69
			\$85,146.06

## APPROPRIATION ACCOUNTS

## Charities and Soldiers' Benefits:

**Recreation and Unclassified :**

Parks and Playgrounds .....	\$ 3,020.00	\$ 2,145.44	\$ 874.56
Playground Equipment .....	400.00	399.76	.24
Christmas Lighting .....	200.00	200.00	
Damage Claims .....	1,000.00	216.50	783.50
Memorial Day .....	600.00	596.14	3.86
Care of Soldiers' Graves .....	500.00	500.00	
Rent of Veterans' Quarters .....	800.00	800.00	
Fire Insurance .....	3,075.00	4,265.00	
Motor Vehicle Insurance .....	1,031.35	935.69	95.66
Town Reports .....	800.00	800.00	
Travel Outside of State .....	200.00	173.43	26.57
Taxes on Town Property .....	776.00	776.00	
Elementary School Committee .....	200.00	28.00	172.00
W. P. A. Administration .....	5,319.55	5,192.85	851.70
W. P. A. Projects .....	21,557.54	14,815.41	6,907.73
	<hr/> \$39,479.44	<hr/> \$2,080.60	<hr/> \$31,844.22
			\$9,715.82
<b>Enterprises and Cemeteries :</b>			
Water Maintenance .....	\$16,100.00	\$ 16,098.71	\$ 1.29
Water Services .....	2,000.00	1,920.38	79.62
Water Extensions .....	16,719.73	16,655.95	63.78
Green Street Water Main .....	R 1,275.00	T 2,308.00	1,275.00
Lindenwood Cemetery .....	4,025.00	6,330.32	2.68
Pleasant Street Cemetery .....	100.00	100.00	
Town Scales .....	75.00	41.00	34.00
Care of Civic Center Property .....	825.00	685.82	139.18
	<hr/> \$39,844.73	<hr/> \$3,583.00	<hr/> \$41,832.18
			\$1,595.55

## APPROPRIATION ACCOUNT

### Interest and Maturing Debt :

Interest .....	\$10,600.00	R	\$394.41	\$ 10,994.41
Debt .....	57,000.00			57,000.00
				<hr/>
	\$67,600.00		\$394.41	\$67,994.41
				<hr/>
Grand Total .....	\$610,453.12	32,287.53	\$624,303.12	\$26,544.22
				*\$8,106.69

A — Refunds

F — Federal Funds

R — From Reserve Funds

S — From State and County

T — Income of Trust Funds

\* — Due From State and County

## Trust Funds

### Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund — Principal:

Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 56,039.84
Deposits .....	1,150.00
Bonds Called .....	10,000.00
Bonds Matured .....	1,000.00
	_____
	\$ 68,189.84
Bonds Purchased .....	11,000.00
	_____
	\$ 57,189.84

### Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund — Income:

Balance — January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 10,369.37
Interest Received .....	2,603.01
Premiums on Called Bonds .....	500.00
	_____
	\$ 13,472.38
Expended on Lots .....	\$ 2,308.00
Expenses .....	10.00
Int. and Premiums on Bonds Purchased .....	498.75
	_____
	\$ 2,816.75
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 10,655.63
	_____
Total Principal and Income .....	\$ 67,845.47

### Invested as follows:

Stoneham Water Bonds .....	\$ 1,000.00
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co. Bonds .....	5,000.00
Western Union Tel. Co. Bonds .....	5,000.00
Pennsylvania R. R. Bonds .....	3,000.00
Central Maine Power Co. Bonds .....	5,000.00
Lowell Gas Light Co. Bonds .....	1,000.00
N. Y. State Elec. & Gas Co. Bonds .....	5,000.00
Stoneham Co-operative Bank .....	4,800.00
Malden Co-operative Bank .....	2,000.00
Woburn Co-operative Bank .....	2,000.00
Winter Hill Co-operative Bank .....	1,000.00
Cambridge Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Charlestown Five Cents Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Malden Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Andover Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
North Avenue Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Stoneham Five Cents Savings Bank ....	1,744.11
Melrose Savings Bank .....	1,854.14
Mattapan Co-operative Bank .....	1,000.00

Cash .....	447.22	
		\$ 67,845.47
<b>Matilda M. Dale — Cemetery Fund:</b>		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	68.02	
Interest Received .....	2.06	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	70.08	
Invested in Stone. Five Cents Sav. Bank	70.08	
<b>J. Alden Stockwell Shade Tree Fund:</b>		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	1,318.17	
Interest Received .....	44.60	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 1,362.77	
Invested as follows:		
Stoneham Co-operative Bank .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Stoneham Five Cents Savings Bank	362.77	
		\$ 1,362.77
Principal .....	1,000.00	
Income Available .....	362.77	
<b>James W. MacDonald School Medal Fund:</b>		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 314.80	
Interest Received .....	8.57	
\$ . 323.37		
Expended on Medals .....	7.00	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 316.37	
Invested as follows:		
Stoneham Five Cents Savings Bank \$ 156.13		
Stoneham Trust Company .....	160.24	
		\$ 316.37
Principal .....	291.00	
Income Available .....	25.37	
<b>George L. W. Dike Library Fund:</b>		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	2,090.07	
Interest Received .....	62.74	
Bonds Matured .....	1,000.00	
\$ 3,152.81		
Bonds Purchased .....	1,000.00	
Int. and Premium on Bond Purchased	31.46	
\$ 1,031.46		
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 2,121.35	
Invested as follows:		
Stoneham Sewer Bond .....	\$ 1,000.00	
Pennsylvania R. R. Bond .....	1,000.00	

Stoneham Five Cents Savings Bank	121.35	
Principal .....	\$ 2,121.35	
Income Available .....	2,000.00	
Richardson Library Fund:	121.35	
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 252.99	
Interest Received .....	7.62	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	260.61	
Invest., Stoneham Five Cents Sav. Bank	260.61	
Principal .....	100.00	
Income Available .....	160.61	
Annie H. Brown Library Book Fund:		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 10,112.22	
Interest Received .....	316.37	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 10,428.59	
Invested as follows:		
Charlestown Five Cents Sav. Bank \$ 4,000.00		
Andover Savings Bank .....	4,000.00	
East Cambridge Savings Bank .....	2,428.51	
Cash .....	.08	
	\$ 10,428.59	
Principal .....	10,000.00	
Income Available .....	428.59	
Board of Trade — Central Square Improvement Fund:		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 80.07	
Interest Received .....	2.42	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 82.49	
Invest., Stoneham Five Cents Sav. Bank	82.49	
Principal and Income Available .....	82.49	
Alice J. Durgin Fund:		
Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 1,263.68	
Interest Received .....	38.18	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 1,301.86	
Invest., Stoneham Five Cents Sav. Bank	1,301.86	
Principal .....	1,000.00	
Income Available .....	301.86	
Samuel H. Webber Town Hall Fund:		
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	48,022.58	
Interest Received .....	1,738.53	
Int. and Premium on Bond Purchased	\$ 49,761.11	
	20.10	
Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 49,741.01	

Invested as follows:

Pennsylvania R. R. Bond .....	\$ 1,000.00
Stoneham Sewer Note .....	1,000.00
Stoneham Co-operative Bank .....	4,000.00
Malden Co-operative Bank .....	2,000.00
Winter Hill Co-operative Bank .....	2,000.00
Andover Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Salem Five Cents Savings Bank ....	4,000.00
Danvers Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Malden Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Charlestown Five Cents Sav. Bank	4,000.00
North Avenue Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Melrose Savings Bank .....	4,000.00
Stoneham Five Cents Sav. Bank ....	10,756.31
Mattapan Co-operative Bank .....	600.00
Cash .....	384.70
	----- \$ 49,741.01
Principal and Income Available .....	49,741.01

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31, 1936

Trust Accounts

DEBIT	CREDIT
Trust Funds, Cash and Securities .....	\$133,530.60
Perpetual Care Fund Principal .....	\$ 57,189.84
Perpetual Care Fund Income .....	10,655.63
Matilda M. Dale Cemetery Fund .....	70.08
J. Alden Stockwell Shade Tree Fund .....	1,362.77
James W. MacDonald School Medal Fund .....	316.37
George L. W. Dike Library Fund .....	2,121.35
Richardson Library Fund .....	260.61
Annie H. Brown Library Book Fund .....	10,428.59
Board of Trade, Central Sq. Improvement Fund .....	82.49
Alice J. Durgin Fund .....	1,301.86
Samuel Hanson Webber Town Hall Fund .....	49,741.01
	<u>\$133,530.60</u>
	\$133,530.60

## Annie H. Brown Library Building Fund

I, Charles A. Owen, Town Accountant of the Town of Stoneham, hereby certify that I have examined the account of E. Sohier Welch and George E. Brown, executors under the will of Annie H. Brown, who hold in trust the funds bequeathed to the Town of Stoneham for an addition to the Stoneham Public Library under Item 28 of the 10th Paragraph of the said will, with the following results:

Balance, January 1, 1936 .....	\$ 20,118.91
Income Received .....	1,109.10
Securities Sold .....	10,000.00
	----- \$ 31,228.01

### Disbursements:

Trustees' Compensation .....	\$ 54.00
Probate Fees .....	3.00
Securities Purchased .....	10,000.00
Interest on Securities Purchased .....	93.65
Premium on Securities Purchased .....	525.00
Discount on Securities Sold .....	3.95
Postage and Insurance .....	.77
	----- \$ 10,680.37

Balance, December 31, 1936 .....	\$ 20,547.64
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### Invested as follows:

Town of Stoneham Sewer 4 1/4 S .....	\$ 5,000.00
Baltimore & Ohio R. R. 5 S .....	5,000.00
Consolidated Edison N. Y. 3 1/4 S .....	5,000.00
Southern California Edison 3 3/4 S .....	5,000.00
Cash .....	547.64
	----- \$ 20,547.64

Attest:

CHARLES A. OWEN,  
Town Accountant.

Middlesex, ss.

February 9, 1937.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this day.

Luther Hill, Notary Public.

# TOWN OF STONEHAM—DEBT STATEMENT DECEMBER 31, 1936

	Rate	Total	Due 1937	Due 1938	Due 1939	Due 1940	Due 1941	Due 1942	Due 1943	Due 1944	Due 1945	Due 1946	Due 1947
*Sewer, 1912	4	1,000.00	1,000										
Sewer, 1927	4	4,000.00	4,000										
Sewer, 1928	4	4,000.00	2,000	2,000									
Sewer, 1929	4 1/2	8,500.00	4,000	4,000									500
Sewer, 1932	4 1/4	4,000.00	4,000										
Sewer, 1933	4 1/4	2,000.00	1,000	1,000									
Highways, 1930	4	8,000.00	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000							2,000
Highways, 1933	5 1/2	2,000.00	1,000	1,000									
Highways, 1934	2 1/4—3	15,000.00	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000							
Highways, 1935	1 1/2	6,000.00	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000							
School, 1923	4 1/4	49,000.00	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
School, 1928	4	4,000.00	2,000	2,000									
*School, 1930	4	56,000.00	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000	7,000
*Water, 1912	4	1,000.00	1,000										
*Water, 1933	5 1/2	10,000.00	5,000	5,000									
*Water, 1935	1 1/4—2 1/4	22,500.00	2,500	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
*Municipal Relief	3—3 1/2	13,000.00	6,500	6,500	6,500								
*Emergency Finance, 1936	1	27,701.87	payable monthly from redemption of tax titles										
		237,701.87	57,000	46,500	25,500	18,000	16,000	16,000	9,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000

\*Outside of Debt Limit  
 Total Debt Within Debt Limit ..... \$106,500.00  
 Total Debt Outside Debt Limit ..... 131,201.87  
 Debt Limit December 31, 1936 ..... 445,758.00  
 Borrowing Capacity ..... 339,258.00  
 Anticipation of Revenue Loans Due Nov. 6, 1937 ..... 200,000.00  
 Rate .317 Discounted.

## **REPORT OF TREE WARDEN**

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To the Citizens of Stoneham:

I herewith submit my annual report as Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Work for the year ending December 31, 1936.

The sum of \$1,524.10 was spent for shade tree work.

Through the co-operation of the Works Progress Administration in furnishing labor, two hundred and thirty-five Norway Maple trees were planted on the streets and playgrounds of Stoneham.

Several months were spent in trimming, cavity work, and the removal of undesirable trees.

A plan was put into operation for growing our own shade trees from seed, so that the Town of Stoneham will have a perpetual supply of shade trees without the necessity of buying them.

The sum of \$4,414.18 was expended for moth work.

The usual fruit tree and roadside spraying was done. To comply with the state law it was necessary to send out cards to all property owners who regularly have their trees sprayed. One set of cards will be sent out each year and only those properties on which the owners fill out and return these cards can be sprayed.

A close watch was kept on the elm trees for any sign of the Dutch Elm Disease throughout the season.

In the winter and fall, scouting for the brown-tail and for egg masses of the gypsy moth and tent caterpillar was carried on.

Increased efforts to check the spread of the elm-leaf beetle were made this year. Due to the difficulty in reaching the tops of the taller elms it will take several years to obtain satisfactory control of this pest.

Respectfully submitted,

PERCIVAL H. WARDWELL,  
Tree Warden and Superintendent of Moth Work.

## REPORT OF STATE AUDIT

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts  
Department of Corporations and Taxation  
Division of Accounts

State House, Boston.  
February 10, 1937.

To the Board of Selectmen,  
Mr. Everett C. Hunt, Chairman,  
Stoneham, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I submit herewith my report of an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Stoneham for the period from May 22, 1932, to September 12, 1936, made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 44, General Laws. This is in the form of a report made to me by Mr. Herman B. Dine, Assistant Director of Accounts.

Very truly yours,

Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts.

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell,  
Director of Accounts,  
Department of Corporations and Taxation,  
State House, Boston.

Sir:

In accordance with your instructions, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the town of Stoneham for the period from May 22, 1932, the date of the previous audit, to September 12, 1936, the following report being submitted thereon:

The financial transactions, as recorded on the books of the several departments receiving or disbursing money for the town or committing bills for collection, were examined, checked, and verified by a comparison with the books of the Town Accountant and the Treasurer.

The books and accounts in the Town Accountant's office were examined and checked. The receipts as recorded on the ledger were checked with the records of the several departments making payments to the Treasurer and with the Treasurer's books, while the recorded payments were checked with the treasury warrants issued by the Selectmen and with the Treasurer's cash book. The appropriations, transfers, and loan authorizations as recorded on the ledger were checked with the Town Clerk's records of town meetings and with the records of the Finance Committee. The necessary correcting and adjusting entries resulting from the audit

were made, a trial balance was taken off, and a balance sheet, which is appended to this report, was prepared showing the financial condition of the town as of September 12, 1936.

The books and accounts of the Town Treasurer were examined and checked in detail. The recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the records in the several departments collecting money for the town and with other sources from which money was paid into the town treasury, while the payments were checked with the Selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursement of town funds.

The cash book was added throughout for the period covered by the audit, and a preliminary reconciliation of the cash balance, as called for by the cash book on September 12, 1936, with the cash in the banks and in the office disclosed excess cash in the Treasurer's accounts of \$1,184.71, this amount being entered on the Treasurer's cash book as of September 12, 1936, as "unidentified receipts". However, during the course of the examination of the Treasurer's accounts, which necessitated a very considerable amount of detailed checking and which added to the cost of the audit materially, numerous errors and omissions in entering receipts and payments were found, with the result that the sum of \$610.72, representing overpayments and overentries by the Treasurer was added to the above-mentioned excess cash of \$1,184.71, while the sum of \$1,006.07, representing underpayments and underentries was deducted therefrom, leaving the amount of \$789.36 as unidentified excess cash in the treasury, which sum was set up as a special account on the Accountant's ledger.

It was noted that the Treasurer had failed to reconcile properly his cash, including bank balances since the previous audit, and it is again recommended that he prove as frequently as once a month the cash book balance with the actual cash on hand and in the bank, retaining a permanent record of such reconciliation. This practice, if followed, will permit the prompt discovery and adjustment of clerical errors.

The importance of entering promptly and in detail on the cash book all cash received is obvious and, in addition, the cash receipts should be reported in detail to the Town Accountant in order that the accounts concerned may receive the proper credits.

The payments on account of maturing debt and interest were verified by a comparison with the amounts falling due, the cancelled securities and coupons were checked, and the outstanding debt and interest was listed and proved.

The securities and savings bank books representing the investment of the trust funds in the custody of the Treasurer were examined and listed. The income was proved and the withdrawals verified.

The tax title deeds on hand were examined and listed. The amounts transferred from the several tax and assessment levies

to the tax title account were verified, and the tax title deeds as listed were checked with the records in the Registry of Deeds.

The books and accounts of the Collector were examined and checked. The poll, property and motor vehicle excise taxes, as well as special assessment, departmental, sewer, and water accounts receivable outstanding at the time of the previous examination were audited, and all subsequent commitments were checked to the warrants for their collection. The payments to the Treasurer were checked to the Treasurer's cash book, the recorded abatements were compared with the records of abatements granted, and the outstanding accounts were listed and reconciled with the respective ledger accounts.

The outstanding accounts were further verified by mailing notices to a number of persons whose names appeared on the books as owing money to the town. Several replies were received claiming that the amounts called for by the notices had been paid. These claims were investigated and it was found that the amounts had been paid, but through clerical error had not been entered on the books.

Considerable difficulty was encountered in reconciling the Collector's accounts, it being necessary to check postings on the commitment books to the cash book entries. The additional time consumed in proving the Collector's accounts materially increased the cost of the audit.

It is important that the provisions of Section 61, Chapter 60, General Laws, as amended, be followed by the Collector in adding subsequent taxes and interest accrued to the tax title account.

The records of receipts from licenses and permits issued by the Selectmen were examined and the payments to the Treasurer were checked with the Treasurer's cash book.

The Town Clerk's records of miscellaneous receipts and of dog and sporting licenses issued were examined, the payments to the State being verified with the receipts on file and the payments to the Town Treasurer being compared with the Treasurer's cash book.

The accounts of the Health, Building and Wire, and Plumbing Inspectors, and of the Sealer of Weights and Measures were examined and reconciled with the Treasurer's and the Accountant's books. It is recommended that all departments keep a permanent record of cash receipts and also a record of payments made to the town treasury, in order that the accounts may be properly audited in the future.

The surety bonds of the financial officials bonded for the faithful performance of their duties were examined and found to be in proper form.

In addition to the balance sheet mentioned above, there are appended to this report tables showing a reconciliation of the Treasurer's cash, summaries of the tax, assessment, tax title, de-

partmental, and water accounts, as well as tables showing the condition and transactions of the various trust funds.

While engaged in making the audit, co-operation was received from the officials of the town, for which, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, I wish to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

Herman B. Dine,  
Assistant Director of Accounts.

(Cash statements and balance sheets follow. A complete detailed report of the audit is on file in the office of the Town Clerk.)

### Reconciliation of Treasurer's Cash

Balance May 22, 1932, per cash book .... \$ 399.42

Receipts per cash book:

May 22 to December 31:

1932 ..... \$ 768,657.48

1933 ..... 1,157,849.17

1934 ..... 1,260,010.90

1935 ..... 1,111,998.63

————— \$4,298,516.18

————— \$4,298,915.60

Payments per warrants:

May 22 to December 31:

1932 ..... \$ 766,963.63

1933 ..... 1,084,113.75

1934 ..... 1,241,947.00

1935 ..... 1,134,219.26

————— \$4,227,243.64

Balance December 31, 1935, per cash book 71,671.96

————— \$4,298,915.60

Balance January 1, 1936, per cash book \$ 71,671.96

Receipts January 1 to September 12, 1936:

Per cash book ..... \$ 374,362.35

Unidentified receipts .. 1,184.71

————— \$ 375,547.06

————— \$ 447,219.02

Payments January 1 to September 12,

1936, per warrants ..... \$ 428,898.86

Bal. September 12, 1936, per cash book 18,320.16

————— \$ 447,219.02

Bal. September 12, 1936, per cash book

\$ 18,320.16

Balance September 12, 1936:

Stoneham Trust Co., Account No. 1 \$ 9,742.11

Stoneham Trust Co., Account No. 2 844.95

Merchants National Bank of Boston 5,457.56

Cash in office, verified ..... 2,188.54

Payments in advance of warrant:

Highway .....	\$	64.00
Welfare .....		1.00
Soldiers' Relief .....		22.00
	\$	87.00
	\$	18,320.16

**TOWN OF STONEHAM**  
 Balance Sheet—September 12, 1936

GENERAL ACCOUNTS

ASSETS	LIABILITIES AND RESERVES
Cash:	
General .....\$ 18,320.16	
Accounts Receivable:	
Taxes:	
Poll Taxes 1934 .....\$ 6.00	Temporary Loans:
Poll Taxes 1936 .....260.00	In Anticipation of Revenue:
Property Taxes 1934 .....3,986.35	1935 .....\$150,000.00
Property Taxes 1935 .....61,234.04	1936 .....50,000.00
Property Taxes 1936 .....407,326.94	\$200,000.00
Motor Vehicle Excise Taxes:	
Levy of 1933 .....\$ 2.84	Treasurer's Cash Discrepancy—
Levy of 1934 .....1.13	Overage .....789.36
Levy of 1935 .....194.50	Abatement After Payment, to be Refunded:
Levy of 1936 .....1,502.68	Taxes 1932 .....283.62
Special Assessments:	
Moth:	
Levy of 1934 .....\$ 65.35	State Tax and Assessments .....70,269.10
Levy of 1935 .....299.15	County Tax .....21,780.71
Levy of 1936 .....1,297.39	
Sewers:	
Added to taxes 1934 ..\$ 70.20	Grants and Gifts:
Added to taxes 1935 ..909.63	Dental Clinic .....35.00
Added to taxes 1936 ..3,552.66	Deposits:
\$ 4,532.49	Board of Survey .....\$ 30.00
Sidewalks:	
Unapportioned .....\$ 575.06	Sewer Services .....45.00
	Water Services .....70.98
	\$ 145.98
	Trust Fund Income:
	George L. W. Dike Library Fund \$ 8.54
	Samuel H. Webber Town Hall F'd 974.20
	Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds 372.88
	\$ 1,355.62
	Dog Licenses — Due County .....
	Tailings .....208.20
	Sale of Lots and Graves Fund 33.35
	Federal Grant — Old Age Assistance: 9,725.00
	Administration .....\$ 77.92
	Assistance .....1,576.97



**Balance Sheet—September 12, 1936**  
**GENERAL ACCOUNTS — Continued)**

Estimated Receipts to be Collected	
Machinery Tax Abatements — Spec-	
ial Overlay .....\$ 62,840.68	
Trust Funds — Income to be Withdrawn:	
Annie H. Brown Library Fund .....\$ 1,450.01	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds	
65.43	\$ 31.62
65.43	
97.05	
Overlay Deficits:	
Levy of 1930 .....\$ 163.92	
Levy of 1931 .....\$ 391.96	
Levy of 1932 .....\$ 483.01	
	\$ 1,038.89
Overdrawn Accounts:	
Pond Street, Resurfacing .....\$ 140.60	
Lindenwood Cemetery .....\$ 481.68	
	\$ 622.28
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	\$ 655,103.17

**DEFERRED REVENUE ACCOUNTS**

**Apportioned Assessments Not Due:**

Sewer .....	\$ 10,643.88
Sidewalk .....	407.90
Street Betterment .....	7,234.70

**Apportioned Sewer Assessment Revenue:**

Due in 1937 .....	\$ 2,953.17
1938 .....	2,050.20
1939 .....	1,524.02
1940 .....	1,313.79
1941 .....	1,252.14
1942 .....	1,067.25
1943 .....	360.18
1944 .....	123.13

**Apportioned Sidewalk Assessment Revenue:**

Due in 1937 .....	\$ 97.90
1938 .....	92.00
1939 .....	76.00
1940 .....	66.00
1941 .....	61.00
1942 .....	7.50
1943 .....	7.50

**Apportioned Street Betterment:**

Assessment Revenue:	
Due in 1937 .....	\$ 1,473.74
1938 .....	1,397.48
1939 .....	1,421.91
1940 .....	1,421.91
1941 .....	851.52
1942 .....	668.14

	\$ 7,234.70
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\$ 18,286.48	\$ 18,286.48

**Balance Sheet—September 12, 1936**

<b>DEBT ACCOUNTS</b>	
\$254,225.45	Sewer Loans ..... Highway Loans ..... School Loans ..... Water Loans ..... Municipal Relief Loan ..... Emergency Finance Loan .....
	22,500.00 33,000.00 116,000.00 36,000.00 19,500.00 26,225.45
<b>\$254,225.45</b>	
<b>TRUST ACCOUNTS</b>	
\$132,463.83	Alice J. Durgin Charity Fund ..... James W. MacDonald School Medal Fund ..... George L. W. Dike Library Fund ..... Richardson Library Fund ..... Annie H. Brown Library Book Fund J. Alden Stockwell Shade Tree Fund Board of Trade — Central Square Improvement Fund ..... Samuel H. Webber Town Hall Fund Matilda M. Dale Cemetery Fund .....
	1,282.63 312.10 2,091.42 256.77 10,317.15 1,340.35 81.27 48,197.35 69.04 68,515.75
<b>\$132,463.83</b>	
Net Funded or Fixed Debt .....	
Trust Funds, Cash and Securities .....	

# **TOWN WARRANT**

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To J. Clarence Nelson or either of the Constables of the Town of Stoneham, in the County of Middlesex, Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Stoneham qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Armory Hall,

**MONDAY, MARCH 1, 1937**

at seven o'clock in the morning, to act on the following articles of this warrant:

Article 1. To choose the following officers: Moderator for one year; Town Clerk for three years; Town Treasurer for one year; three Selectmen for one year; Tax Collector for one year; one Assessor for one year; one assessor for three years; one member of the Board of Public Welfare for three years; three Constables for one year; one member of the Board of Health for three years; Tree Warden for one year; two members of the School Committee for three years; one Park Commissioner for three years; two Trustees of the Public Library for three years; one Trustee of Lindenwood Cemetery for five years. All on one ballot.

The polls will be open at seven o'clock in the forenoon and closed at eight o'clock in the evening.

For consideration of the following articles, the meeting will be adjourned to meet at thirty minutes after seven o'clock in the evening, on Monday, March 8, 1937.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing in such manner as the Town shall determine.

Article 3. To hear the reports of Town Officers and Committees and to act thereon and to choose Committees.

Article 4. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the ensuing year, and to make appropriations for the same.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1937, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, General Laws.

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money for general municipal purposes under authority of and in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 49, of the Acts of 1933 as most recently amended by Chapter 281 of the Acts of 1936 or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to grant free use of Armory Hall to Veterans' organizations and to organizations of a community nature.

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to pay the rent of quarters or to lease quarters for the use of J. P. Gould Post No. 75, G. A. R.; Leon E. Warren Camp 31, U. S. W. V.; Stoneham Post No. 115, American Legion; raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto.

Article 9. (a) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint one of its Board Members, Health Officer and raise and appropriate money therefor. (Board of Health.)

(b) To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Health to appoint one of its Board Members, Milk Inspector and raise and appropriate money therefor. (Board of Health.)

Article 10. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Health to contract for a term of years for the removal and disposal of ashes, paper and other waste, and also for the removal and disposal of garbage or do anything in relation thereto. (Board of Health.)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for Christmas lighting, appoint a committee to expend such sum or do anything in relation thereto. (Planning Board.)

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the Town's share of WPA expenses and determine how the appropriation shall be raised, by borrowing or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at a price of \$300.00, or more, land formerly belonging to Katherine L. O'Brien on Park Avenue, Stoneham, and being lot 69 on the Assessors' Plan, and containing 8,241 square feet more or less; said land having been acquired by the Town under Tax Title Foreclosure Proceedings, a decree having been entered in the Land Court, Boston, case No. 7510, December 15, 1936, and the decree recorded with Middlesex Registry of Deeds, Book 6091, Pages 341-342. (Selectmen.)

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to sell at a price of \$2,100.00, or more, land formerly belonging to John E. and Katherine L. O'Brien on Shumway Circle,

Stoneham, and being lots 87-91 and 92, on the Assessors' Plan, with the buildings thereon, and containing 21,142 square feet more or less; said land having been acquired by the Town under Tax Title Foreclosure Proceedings, a decree having been entered in the Land Court, Boston, case No. 7509, January 11, 1937, and the decree recorded with Middlesex Registry of Deeds, Book 6091, Page 341. (Selectmen.)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to issue and sell, from time to time, as occasion requires, town notes, bonds, or other evidences of indebtedness, for the purpose of defraying the cost of extending water mains or relaying water mains within the limits of the Town, to an amount not exceeding twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000.00), pass any vote or votes relative thereto, or do anything in relation to the same. (Selectmen.)

Article 16. To see if the Town will appropriate a sum sufficient to pay the County of Middlesex as required by law on account of the Middlesex County Tuberculosis Hospital Funding Loan, Act of 1932, bonds maturing in 1937, issued in compliance with Chapter 10, Acts of 1932, also for any other indebtedness incurred and outstanding under said Chapter 10, also for the Town's share of the cost and interest on said bonds due in 1937, also for the care, maintenance, and repair of said hospital for 1936, and including interest on temporary notes issued therefor in accordance with sections of Chapter 111 of the General Laws applicable thereto, and for all other expenses in connection therewith, determine how the money shall be raised, or in any way act thereon.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote passed under Article 3 of the warrant for a town meeting held September 11, 1936, by increasing the amount appropriated for the construction of an eight room elementary school and furnishings therefor, from \$55,000 to \$100,000; and also by increasing the amount appropriated for the construction of a six room elementary school and furnishings therefor from \$33,000 to \$60,000; all other provisions of the votes under said Article 3 to remain as previously voted. (Selectmen.)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of Section 48, Chapter 31, General Laws, as to regular members of the Fire Department. (Fire Department.)

Article 19. To see if the Town will appropriate to the Account of Unpaid Bills the sum of \$4,435.87 for the payment of unpaid bills as follows: Public Welfare Department Bills, \$4,255.20; Materials used on WPA projects, \$180.67. (Town Accountant.)

Article 20. To see what action the Town will take regarding the disposition of unexpended balances of appropriations made for specific purposes as follows:

Reconstruction of Fire Alarm System .....	\$82.00
Moth Department Truck .....	19.00
Public Works Department Truck .....	6.50
Pond Street resurfacing .....	44.32
Infirmary Truck .....	2.59
Gould Meadow Purchase .....	1.84

(Town Accountant.)

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to establish a Road Machinery Account, to which shall be credited all receipts received for the use or rental of road machinery, the proceeds to be appropriated as voted by the Town for road machinery purposes, or take any action in relation thereto. (Selectmen.)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money to establish a Road Machinery Fund for the purpose of purchasing, repairing and operating road machinery. (Selectmen.)

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to add to Lindenwood Cemetery land bequeathed to the Town by the late Annie H. Brown described as follows: "Lot No. 1, Montvale Avenue, 1 acre 42,690 ft. land" which lot is bounded Northerly by Lindenwood Cemetery, Westerly by said Lindenwood Cemetery, Southerly by said Montvale Avenue and Easterly by an unnamed public way running between said Montvale Avenue and Lindenwood Road. (Town Counsel.)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to erect a fence to enclose the Old Burying Ground on Pleasant Street and to repair headstones in said burying ground, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (George B. Williams.)

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to purchase for a playground a certain parcel of land owned by George Cole, bounded by Park Street, Winthrop Street and Dean Street, containing 77,219 square feet, more or less, as shown on a plan made by Russell C. Chase, C. E., dated January 6, 1931, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Planning Board.)

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money from the Samuel H. Webber Town Hall Fund, or otherwise for the purpose of constructing a town office building and authorize and direct the Selectmen to accept on behalf of the town, for use in carrying out such project, the offer of the United States of America to aid in financing the construction of said project by making a grant of money to the Town in the amount of 45% of the cost of said project; and authorize the appointment of a committee to construct said project and contract with respect thereto; and authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow such sums as may be necessary

to meet any appropriations made; or take any action relative thereto. (Planning Board.)

Article 27. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to paint the outside of the building and to install modern toilets at the North School or do anything in relation thereto. (School Department.)

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the addition of one police patrol box at Pomeworth Street Playground to the present police signal system, or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the installation of a teletypewriter in the police department or do anything in relation thereto. (Police Department.)

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a cruising automobile for the Police Department, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto; and also authorize the disposal of one automobile now used by said department. (Police Department.)

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to replace the Fire Chief's car, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. (Board of Fire Engineers.)

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to construct the following proposed sewers, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto:

(a) In and through Collincote Street, from the existing sewer northerly a distance of 350 feet, more or less.

(b) In and through Newcomb Road (so-called) from the existing sewer southerly a distance of 165 feet, more or less. (Selectmen.)

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to construct a sewer and surface water drain in Brackett Avenue, between Elm Street and Garden Road (so-called), raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Residents of Street.)

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate money for the maintenance of highways which have been constructed with State and County aid under Provisions of Chapter 90, General Laws, or do anything in relation thereto. (Supt. of Public Works.)

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a portable air compressor for the Public Works Department, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 36. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appro-

priate a sum of money for the purchase of two one and one-half ton truck chassis for the Public Works Department, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 37. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a sidewalk tractor for the Public Works Department, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 38. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Spring Street, between East Street and the Stoneham-Wakefield line, or any part thereof, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 39. To see if the Town will vote to resurface William Street throughout its entire length, or any part thereof, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 40. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Green Street, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 41. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Central Street, between Central Square and Common Street, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 42. To see if the Town will vote to resurface Central Street between Common Street and Boston and Maine Railroad tracks, raise and appropriate money therefor by the sale of notes, bonds or otherwise, or do anything in relation thereto. (Superintendent of Public Works.)

Article 43. To see if the Town will vote to install traffic signals at the following locations, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto:

- (a) At the junction of Central Street and Elm Street.
- (b) At the junction of Montvale Avenue, Cottage Street and Wright Street. (Selectmen.)

Article 44. To see if the Town will vote to accept as a public town way, Sheridan Road (so-called) running from Keene Street easterly a distance of 305 feet, as laid out by the Board of Survey. (Albert P. Rounds.)

Article 45. To see if the Town will vote to surface Sheridan Road under the laws relating to the assessment of betterments or otherwise, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. (Albert P. Rounds.)

Article 46. To see if the Town will vote to lay a water main

in Gould Meadow Playground, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Article 47. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a truck for the use of the Park Department, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Article 48. To see if the Town will vote to purchase portable bleachers for use on Pomeworth Street Playground, raise and appropriate money therefor or do anything in relation thereto. (Park Commissioners.)

Article 49. To see if the Town will vote to purchase a trailer tank with pump for testing oil measuring devices, raise and appropriate money therefor, or do anything in relation thereto. (Sealer of Weights and Measures.)

Article 50. To see if the Town will vote to amend the By-Laws by adding to Article 12 a new section to be known as Section 22, reading as follows: "No person, firm or corporation shall use an amplifying device or radio operated from any building, vehicle or store in the town, for advertising purposes. This By-Law shall not prohibit the use of sound trucks for political meetings or organizations provided that a permit be issued therefor by the Captain of Police. (Captain of Police.)

Article 51. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by adding at the end of Section 7a of Article 1, "Location of Automobile Services", the following excepted area: Beginning at the Southeasterly corner of Main and Gerry Streets and running Easterly by said Gerry Street 41 feet, thence Southerly by land now or formerly of Tulloch 47 feet, thence Easterly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 1 foot, thence Southerly again by land now or formerly of Tulloch 43.5 feet, thence Westerly by land now or formerly of the heirs of Georgianna A. Thompson to Main Street, 42 feet, thence by said Main Street, 90.5 feet to the beginning. (Lenora L. Trombetta.)

Article 52. To see if the Town will vote to amend the Zoning By-Law by enlarging the present limits of the General Business District as heretofore defined and set forth so as to include in the General Business District the following described area: Northerly by Franklin Street, 100 feet 6 inches, more or less; Westerly by Pond Street, 85 feet, 10 inches more or less; Southerly by land of Harriet Blake, et als, 95 feet more or less; Easterly by land now or formerly of Charles B. Melvin, 84 feet more or less. (Leonard Gianquitto.)

And you are directed to have one thousand copies of this warrant printed, and to serve the same by posting up attested copies in at least ten public places in the Town seven days at least, before the time for holding said meeting, and by causing an attested copy

to be published in some newspaper in the Town, the publication to be not less than three days before said meeting.

The remaining copies you are to have at the place and time of meeting as aforesaid for distribution.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk at the time and place of meeting as aforesaid.

Given under our hands this twenty-sixth day of January in the year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty-seven.

EVERETT C. HUNT,  
FREDERICK P. HANFORD,  
WILLIAM C. GIBBONS,  
Selectmen of Stoneham.

A true copy, attest:

*J. Clarence Nelson*  
Constable.

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